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# **CHESTERFIELD**

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE**

# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

**for the Year Ending  
DECEMBER 31, 1996**



**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**for the Year Ending  
JUNE 30, 1996**

**SPOFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**DECEMBER 31, 1996**

## DEDICATION

We depend on all the town employees who work hard to make our town run smoothly. They keep records and answer questions. They maintain our cemeteries, the transfer station and town buildings. They keep our roads passable, our health and homes secure, and our children educated. Sometimes this work is routine and pleasant, but often it is performed under dangerous or stressful conditions. We recognize the hazards of plowing roads in storms, or answering life-threatening police or fire calls, but we often overlook the less obvious challenges of meeting deadlines and courteously providing all the services we require, even when departments are under-staffed or in transition.

Two employees in particular deserve mention for volunteering for added duties in emergencies. **Michael Plante** temporarily picked up the Public Works Director's job while continuing to be the foreman of the highway department. For a year Police Sergeant **Lester Fairbanks** also became the Acting Police Chief. Lots of town employees have had to adjust to short-handed departments, but these two deserve special thanks for accepting many extra hours and extra headaches, answering the call of duty when the town needed them.

Chesterfield employees care about the town. It's more than just a job for them. They've earned our thanks. They've dedicated themselves to taking care of the town, and we're dedicating this 1996 Town Report to them.

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TOWN OFFICERS

REPRESENTATIVES to the GENERAL COURT	Wanda McNamara Edwin Smith	1998 1998
MODERATOR	Terry L. Wiggin	1998
SELECTMEN	Harold Nowill, Chm Alvin Davis Warren Porter Timothy Butterworth	1997Resigned 1997 1998 1999
TOWN CLERK	Betsey C. Chickering	1997
TAX COLLECTOR	Elizabeth Benjamin	1997
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR	James Milani	
TOWN TREASURER	Edward Cheever	1997
DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER	Margaret Winn	
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR	Bruce Russell	
AUDITORS	Diane Celentano Kenneth Woodward	1997 1998
FULL TIME POLICE	Eric Sargent, Chief-Resigned Lester Fairbanks, Acting Chief Robert Campbell Shawn Skahan Robert Tillson	
PART-TIME POLICE	Harley R. Blake Jason Graves Stacey McIntire Peter Prince Kevin White	
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	Harley R. Blake	
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	Elizabeth Wilkinson Jane J. Allen, Chm Jane Perham	1997 1998 1999
FIREWARDS	Ronald T. Guyette William Vogeley Richard Cooper	1997 1998 1999
SEXTON	Public Works Director	
HEALTH OFFICER	Betty Lou Ashworth	
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Donald Ashworth	
EMERGANCY MANAGEMENT DIR.	James VanOudenhove	
LIBRARIAN	Elizabeth J. Anderson	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Trygve Blom	1997 Resigned
	James Milani	1997 Appointed
	Carol Larsen-Sorterup	1997
	Prudence Mitchell, Treas	1997
	Rita DeVittori	1998
	Audrey Ericson	1998
	Patricia Porter	1998
	Elizabeth Benjamin	1999
	Leslie MacLean	1999
	Cynthia Houghton	1999
	Alvin Davis	
SUPERVISORS of the CHECKLIST	Warren Furlone	1998 Resigned
	Edward Cheever	1997 appointed
	Cabot E. Wiggin	2000
	Clifford E. White, Chm	2002
BUDGET COMMITTEE	Howard Jameson	1997 Resigned
	Susan Newcomer	1997 Appointed
	Barbara Lorenz	1997
	Thomas Woodman	1997
	Thomas Allen	1998 Resigned
	Frederick Schnackenberg	1997 Appointed
	Patrick McManus	1998
	Robert Yacubian	1998
	James Milani, Chm	1999
	Bob Del Sesto	1999
	Lisa M. Prince	
	Alvin Davis	
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	Anthony Souza	1997 Resigned
	John Perkowski	1997
	Davis Peach, V Chm	1998
	Harold Nowill	1999
	Burton Riendeau, Chm	1999
	Jon Thatcher (Alt)	1997
	Harriet Davenport (Alt)	1998
	Lucius Evans (Alt)	1998
	Charles Reilly (Alt)	1998
	Timothy Butterworth	
	Mona Richardson, sec	
PLANNING BOARD	Carol Larsen-Sorterup	1997
	Kathleen Davidson, V Chm	1997 Resigned
	David Mann	1997 Appointed
	Susan Lawson-Kelleher, Chm	1998
	Keith Hinrichsen	1999
	James Loney (Alt)	1997
	John Munn (Alt)	1998
	Francis Walsh III (Alt)	1998
	Warren Porter	
	Mona Richardson, Sec	
CEMETERY COMMISSION	David Smith	1997
	Cabot Wiggin	1997
	Cornelia Jenness	1998
	Elinor Morgan	1998
	Louis Perham, Chm	1999
	Alvin Davis	
PARKS & RECREATION	Wendy Chamberlin, Treas	1997

COMMISSION	John Rancourt	1997
	Mary White	1997 Resigned
	Betty Tyler	1997 Resigned
	Russell Bergeron, Chm	1998
	Kathleen Davidson	1998
	Timothy Butterworth	
PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR	Jeffrey Metivier	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	Jeffrey Newcomer	1997
	Katherine Haines	1998
	Clifford Lerner	1998
	Robert Larsen-Sorterup	1998
	Kathleen Davidson	1999
	Thomas Duston	1999
	McKim Mitchell, Chm	1999
	Timothy Butterworth	
SPOFFORD PRECINCT		
REPRESENTATIVE:	Chester Greenwood	
SWRPC Committee	Evelyn Nadeau	1997
	Carol Larsen-Sorterup	1997

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT 1996

As a board with two new members elected in March, it has been an active year of learning and involvement with the various town departments, boards, committees and commissions.

An ad hoc committee (as yet unnamed) met for the first time in November to discuss the present and future needs of the community. Membership in attendance included representatives from the Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Planning Board, Library Trustees, Budget Committee, School Board and Chesterfield School Principal, Martin Mahoney. Two specific areas the committee determined to be addressed were the enhancement of communications between the memberships of the various groups represented, and the necessity of researching possible solutions to the shared need for an adequate water supply to accommodate the school and various town departments in Center Chesterfield. A second meeting has been scheduled for 2/5/97 at 7:00pm in the Selectmen's office.

In May we promoted Bruce Russell to the position of Public Works Director. Bruce had been an equipment operator within the department since March of 1993 and brings much hands-on experience to his new position. Edward Messer joined our Public Works Department in 1996.

At the Recycling Center Brian Krisch was promoted from part-time to full-time and Craig Day was hired in a part-time capacity.

We never could have anticipated that the search for a new Chief of Police, after Eric Sargent's departure to Swanzey, would be such an extremely long and drawn out process. We assembled a review committee consisting of Eric Sargent, Michael Leclaire, Lester Fairbanks and Warren "Bill" Allen to assist in the search. Finally, we are very pleased to announce that Earl Douglas Nelson has been hired as Chief of Police effective 2/17/97. Chief Nelson brings with him 15 years of experience in N.H. law enforcement, most recently serving as Chief of Police in Dublin and part-time Deputy Chief of Police in Roxbury. We look forward to working with Chief Nelson and we are confident that he will be a fine asset to our community.

The Town Office building underwent a face-lift with a new coat of exterior paint this year. Amidst the process, some structural problems were discovered with the built-in guttering system along the roofline, which we are hoping to address in the coming year.

Warren H. Porter, Chairman  
Alvin C. Davis  
Timothy Butterworth  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN



**1997 TOWN WARRANT  
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chesterfield, in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the CHESTERFIELD TOWN HALL in said Chesterfield, on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon (polls at this location close at 6:00 p.m.) to ballot for Town Officers and other questions required by law to be decided by ballot.

You are further hereby notified to meet at the CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL in said Chesterfield on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next at six thirty of the clock in the evening (polls at this location will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) to ballot for Town Officers and other questions required by law to be decided by ballot.

The business meeting will be called to order at 6:30 of the clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1:** To vote an Australian Ballot for all necessary Town Officers

**ARTICLE 2:** To vote by ballot on amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

**ARTICLE 3:** To vote by ballot on the following modification of the Elderly Exemptions from property under the provisions of RSA 72:39-b: "Shall we modify the Elderly Exemptions from property tax in the Town of Chesterfield, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$20,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$18,400 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$26,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence."

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to allow a 2% discount on real estate taxes paid in full up to fourteen (14) days (inclusive) of the postmarked date of the tax bill, or act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 5:** To hear the report of the Budget Committee, or act in any way related thereto.



**ARTICLE 6:** To hear the report of findings and recommendations of the committee charged with evaluating appropriation requests from non-profit organizations, or to act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$604,750.00) for the construction and original equipping of a new Chesterfield Library Building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Hundred Seventy Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$276,135.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$127,000.00) plus accrued interest from the New Library Construction Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose; additionally, to accept funds from the Chesterfield Library Trustees Building Fund in the amount of One Hundred Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Five Dollars (\$146,865.00) plus accrued interest, with the balance of Fifty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$54,750.00) to be raised by general taxation. [2/3 ballot vote required]  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Five Hundred Eleven Thousand Thirty Nine Dollars (\$1,511,039.00) for the following purposes, or act in any way related thereto. (\$1,511,039 Recommended by the Selectmen) (\$1,496,939 Recommended by the Budget Committee)

	Recommended By The <u>Selectmen</u>	Recommended By The <u>Budget Committee</u>
1. Executive	\$ 88,702	\$ 86,702
2. Elections, Registrations, Vital Stats.	20,356	20,356
3. Financial Administration	40,739	40,739
4. Legal Expense	30,000	25,000
5. Personnel Administration	140,141	140,141
6. Planning Board	12,250	12,250
7. Board of Adjustment	3,315	3,315
8. General Government Buildings	20,760	20,760
9. Cemeteries	53,585	53,585
10. General Insurance	64,500	64,500
11. Regional Association (SWRPC)	3,555	3,555
12. Police	219,065	215,565
13. Ambulance	17,000	17,000
14. Building Inspection	8,400	7,800
15. OEM/Civil Defense	14,145	14,145
16. Other Public Safety	2,300	2,300

17.	Highway/Town Road Maintenance	480,996	480,996
18.	Street Lighting	19,700	19,700
19.	Solid Waste	133,387	133,387
20.	Health Officer	2,535	1,535
21.	Animal Control	4,250	4,250
22.	Other Health (Hepatitis B Shots)	700	700
23.	General Assistance	30,000	30,000
24.	Parks and Recreation	46,512	46,512
25.	Library	45,585	45,585
26.	Patriotic Purposes	300	300
27.	Conservation Commission	1,261	1,261
28.	Interest on TANs	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
		\$1,511,039	\$1,496,939

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$88,825.00) for the purpose of the operation of the Chesterfield Fire Department, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Payroll	\$ 12,000
PR/Inspections	2,500
C.F.D. Supplies	700
C.F.D. Rescue Supplies	700
Telephone	1,200
C.F.D. Dues	650
Fire Prevention	350
Contract Services	300
Training	1,500
Insurance	8,000
Vehicle Repairs	5,000
Gas & Oil	1,000
Equipment Repairs	2,500
Testing	1,000
C.F.D. Equipment	10,000
Rescue Equipment	1,000
Building Maintenance	1,000
Fuel Oil	4,500
Electricity	2,500
Principal on Long Term Note	20,000
Interest on Long Term Note	<u>12,425</u>
	\$ 88,825

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. [By Petition] (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the sale of the 1964 Maxim (International) truck from the West Fire Company, proceeds to be placed in the already established Chesterfield Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. [By Petition] (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from the general fund surplus the sum of Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$10,717.00) to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. Said sum is equal to the amount of unexpended monies, plus revenues and reimbursements from the 1996 budget of the Chesterfield Fire Department. [By Petition] (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) to be added to the already established Expendable Trust for Fire Ponds, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Chesterfield Fire Department to accept a ladder truck donated by the Chesterfield Firefighters' Association, or act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to be added to the already established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of making repairs to the roof of the Town Offices building, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for the purpose of upgrading the computer system at the Town Offices, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Computer Upgrade Capital Reserve

Fund, for the purpose of upgrading the computer system at the Town Offices, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in said fund, or act in any way related thereto.

(Not Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to fund the correction of accessibility deficiencies at the Town Hall and Town Office buildings, or act in any way related thereto. The Town is to be reimbursed for half this sum (\$3,000) through matching Community Development Block Grant monies from the Cheshire County Handicapped Access Initiative Project applied for by the Town. This project grant was awarded by the New Hampshire Office of State Planning to be distributed among Cheshire County towns and schools only. This appropriation is non-lapsing for one year and shall be administered by the Board of Selectmen. [Approval of this article does not affect the community's existing or future CDBG applications.] [Special Article]

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (\$28,558.00) for the purpose of funding construction/reconstruction work on Bridge #051/090 on Gulf Road, or act in any way related thereto. This is a non-lapsing, non-transferrable fund [Special Article].

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Three Dollars (\$12,503.00) for the purpose of Construction/Reconstruction of roads, or act in any way related thereto. This is a non-lapsing, non-transferrable fund [Special Article].

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$88,650.00) for the purpose of Tarring town roads, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 5,500.00) for Guard Rails, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$11,300.00) for the purchase of a Fuel Management System for the Highway Department, or act in any way related thereto.

(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)



**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be added to the already established Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$59,817.00) for the purchase of a 35000 GVW Truck for the Highway Department and to authorize withdrawal of Fifty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$59,816.00) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, the remaining amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) to be raised by general taxation, said amount(s) to be offset by the trade-in or sale of the 1984 35000 GVW Truck, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$64,979.00) for the purchase of a 26000 GVW Truck for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of Forty One Thousand Five Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$41,548.00) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, the remaining amount of Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One Dollars (\$23,431.00) to be raised by general taxation, said amount to be offset by the trade-in or sale of the 1988 One-Ton Truck, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purchase of a Skid Steer for the Solid Waste Department, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) ( Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$24,200.00) for the purchase of a Police Cruiser, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Police Department to retain the 1994 Ford Cruiser and to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to fund the maintenance of said Cruiser, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$4,200.00) for the purchase of a Trunk Mount Mobile Video Unit for the Police Department, said amount to be offset by Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in grant monies, or act in any way related thereto.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to fund renovation work of the old concession building at Wares Grove, and to authorize withdrawal of said sum from the Parks and Recreation Building Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred Forty Four Dollars (\$3,414.00) to be added to the Parks and Recreation Building Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. Said sum represents the surplus income remaining on hand after expenditures generated by Parks and Recreation in the 1996. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Parks and Recreation Outdoor Court Construction Capital Reserve Fund, for the purpose of the construction of new courts (tennis/basketball), and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be placed in said fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be added to the already established New Library Building Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$7,385.00) to aid Home Health Care and Community Services and Meals on Wheels, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Three Dollars (\$3,203.00) to support the work of Monadnock Family Services/Mental Health, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen Dollars and Sixteen Cents (\$3,316.16) to support the work of the Keene Community Kitchen, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (\$1,500.00 Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140.00) to support the work of Windham Youth Services, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)



**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00) to support the work of The Gathering Place Adult Day Services located in Brattleboro and Wilimington, Vermont, or act in any way related thereto. [By Petition]  
(Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the “Chesterfield PTA Scholastic Award” Trust Fund to “Friends of Chesterfield School/PTA Scholastic Award” Trust Fund, or act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to dispose of municipal assets by sealed bid, or act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose pursuant to RSA 31:95-e, or act in any way related thereto. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting such gifts, and the acceptance shall not bind the town to raise, appropriate, or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any such personal property.

**ARTICLE 44:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19, or act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the Library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the Town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property, or to act in any way related thereto.

**ARTICLE 46:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to the Chesterfield Cemetery Maintenance Fund:

Jason Leahy	\$ 75.00
Lots #28A & B Friedsam Cemetery	
Lora A. Grace	\$175.00
Lot #46B Friedsam Cemetery	
Lawrence & Virginia Jacobson	\$450.00
Lots #264A & B, 265B Friedsam Cemetery	
John & Arlene Dudek	\$525.00
Lots #250A & B, 251B Friedsam Cemetery	

Lots #46A, B, C & D Chesterfield West Cemetery

Robert E., Margaret R & Sara J. Clay \$525.00  
Lots #288B, 289A & B Friedsam Cemetery

Robert F. & Marie E. Clay \$350.00  
Lots #274A & B Friedsam Cemetery

Dr. George E. & Verda R. MacDonald \$175.00  
Lot #32B Spofford 1965 Cemetery

Robert A. & Janis M. Marchant \$175.00  
Lot #139A Spofford 1965 Cemetery

Mark K., Marty R., & Rodney K. Robinson \$175.00  
Lot #138B Spofford 1965 Cemetery

Alan P. Betz \$175.00  
Lot #81E Chesterfield West Cemetery

**ARTICLE 47:** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands this Thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred Ninety Seven.

Board of Selectmen,

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Warren H. Porter, Chairman

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Alvin C. Davis

\_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy Butterworth

A True Attested Copy of the Warrant  
Chesterfield Selectmen

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD 1997**

<b>PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL APPROPR. 1996</b>	<b>1996 ACTUAL EXPEND.</b>	<b>SELECTMEN RECOMM'D 1997</b>	<b>RECOMM'D BY BUDGET COMM. 1997</b>	<b>NOT RECOMM. BY BUDGET COMM. 1997</b>
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<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
Executive	80,083	76,639	88,702	86,702	2,000
Election/Reg/Vital St.	22,319	20,207	20,356	20,356	
Financial Admin.	36,226	32,787	40,739	40,739	
Legal Expense	35,000	13,441	30,000	25,000	5,000
Personnel Admin.	131,291	116,682	140,141	140,141	
Planning & Zoning	14,940	14,526	15,565	15,565	
General Gov. Buildings	20,500	18,320	20,760	20,760	
Cemeteries	30,920	30,893	53,585	53,585	
Insurance	73,659	62,809	64,500	64,500	
Regional Assoc. (SWRPC)	3,488	3,523	3,555	3,555	
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
Police	208,475	183,063	219,065	215,565	3,500
Ambulance	17,000	14,764	17,000	17,000	
Fire Dept.	88,125	81,059	88,825	88,825	
Building Inspection	8,400	7,016	8,400	7,800	600
OEM/Civil Defense	17,450	3,645	14,145	14,145	
Other Public Safety	1,500	1,628	2,300	2,300	
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>					
Admin., Hwys & Streets	472,078	471,713	480,996	480,996	
Bridges	0	0	28,558	28,558	
Street Lighting	19,700	18,944	19,700	19,700	
Construction/Reconst.	25,962	25,962	12,503	12,503	
Tarring	72,028	71,838	88,650	88,650	
<b>SANITATION</b>					
Solid Waste Disposal	115,743	106,444	133,387	133,387	
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Health Officer	2,535	859	2,535	1,535	1,000
Animal Control	6,250	1,911	6,250	4,250	2,000
Other Health	13,462	11,906	15,094	12,928	2,166
<b>WELFARE</b>					
Direct Assistance	40,000	16,932	30,000	30,000	
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>					
Parks & Recreation	38,500	31,042	46,512	46,512	
Library	43,925	43,925	45,585	45,585	
Patriotic Purposes	300	244	300	300	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>					
Conservation Commission	850	323	1,261	1,261	
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>					
Interest on TANS	5,000	39	5,000	5,000	
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
Machinery, Veh. & Equip.	144,069	143,613	188,496	168,496	20,000
Buildings	11,481	5,350	622,250	622,250	
Other (Guard Rails)	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>					
To Capital Reserves	115,500	115,500	142,131	82,131	65,000
To Trust & Agency Funds	0	2,100	3,500	3,500	
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<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>1,922,259</b>	<b>1,743,331</b>	<b>2,705,846</b>	<b>2,609,580</b>	<b>101,266</b>

# SOURCES OF REVENUES

	ESTIMATED REV. 1996	ACTUAL REV. 1996	ESTIMATED REV. 1997
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<b>TAXES</b>			
Land Use Change Taxes	0	2,910	2,000
Yield Taxes	5,000	14,578	10,000
Int. & Penalties on Taxes	80,000	57,849	55,000
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>			
Business Licenses & Permits	3,500	11,617	3,500
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	330,000	432,686	400,000
Building Permits	8,000	8,197	8,000
Other Lic., Permits & Fees	12,000	11,839	10,400
<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
Police COPS FAST Grant	20,888	21,447	15,600
<b>FROM STATE</b>			
Shared Revenues	65,000	73,746	70,000
Meals & Rooms Tax Distr.	0	25,573	20,000
Highway Block Grant	90,000	88,950	97,275
State & Fed. Forest Land	3,500	6,240	4,000
Other	30,000	26,118	13,125
<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>	0	2,134	7,025
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
Income From Departments	85,000	34,632	37,350
Other Charges	0	34,456	35,000
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			
Sale of Municipal Property	20,000	0	0
Interest on Investments	10,000	56,947	50,000
Other	39,349	167,241	200,865
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>			
Capital Reserve Funds	146,744	143,669	229,865
From Trust & Agency Funds	0	8,634	27,253
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
Proceeds from Long Term Bonds	0	0	276,135
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<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>948,981</b>	<b>1,229,463</b>	<b>1,572,393</b>

# SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 1996

	Chesterfield & W. Chesterfield	Spofford	Total Town
<u>Value of Land Only:</u>			
Current Use	\$ 908,148	\$ 507,048	\$ 1,415,196
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	0	0
Residential	35,539,900	66,491,000	102,030,900
Commercial/Industrial	<u>4,045,400</u>	<u>4,141,800</u>	<u>8,187,200</u>
Total of Taxable Land	\$ 40,493,448	\$ 71,139,848	\$111,633,296

<u>Value of Buildings Only:</u>			
Residential	\$ 50,100,000	\$ 55,167,400	\$105,267,400
Manufactured Housing	145,400	69,200	214,600
Commercial/Industrial	<u>10,303,400</u>	<u>8,491,200</u>	<u>18,794,600</u>
Total Value of Taxable Buildings	\$ 60,548,800	\$ 63,727,800	\$124,276,600

Public Utilities	\$ 1,609,513	\$ 0	\$ 1,609,513
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Valuation Before Exemptions	\$102,651,761	\$134,867,648	\$237,519,409
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Blind Exemptions	(2) 31,200	(3) 46,800	78,000
Elderly Exemptions	(30) 405,000	(13) 220,000	625,000
Physically Handicapped Exemption	(1) <u>2,500</u>	(0) <u>0</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Total Dollar Amount of Exemption	438,700	266,800	705,500

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$102,213,061	\$134,600,848	\$236,813,909
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REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES: State Forest Land			\$ 6,200
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TAX CREDITS:			
Totally & Permanently Disabled Veterans (7)			9,800
Other War Service Credits (247)			24,700

ELDERLY EXEMPTION COUNT:			
Number of Individuals With Initial Application in 1996:	4 @ \$10,000		
Total Number of Elderly Exemptions Granted for 1996:	18 @ \$10,000		
	11 @ \$15,000		
	14 @ \$20,000		

## CURRENT USE REPORT

<u>USE</u>	<u>Applicants Granted in Prior Years</u> #Acres	<u>New Applicants Granted in 1996</u> #Acres	<u>Total</u> #Acres
FARM LAND	1,462	0	1,462
FOREST LAND	13,586	337	13,923
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	463	3	466
WET LAND	17	0	17
DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	87	0	87

Total Number of Acres Exempted Under Current Use	15,954
Total Number of Acres Taken Out of Current Use During Year	15
Total Number of Acres Receiving the 20% Recreational Adjustment	2,752
Total Number of Owners Granted Current Use Assessment	12

## TOWN MEETING 1996

Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting of the voters of the Town of Chesterfield, New Hampshire, called at the Chesterfield School in said town on Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

Moderator Terry Wiggin called the Town Meeting to order at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Articles One and Two were read by the Moderator, who declared the polls open for voting.

At 6:30pm the Moderator called the Town Meeting to order with Warren Allen and Sandra Hoag as assistant moderator and clerk, respectively.

Following the salute to the flag, which was led by Winston Cray, the moderator called for a moment of silece in honor of those who had passed away during the year.

The rules under which the meeting would be run were explained by the moderator.

ARTICLE 3: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Warren Porter to allow a 2% discount on real estate taxes paid in full up to fourteen (14) days (inclusive) of the postmarked date of the tax bill, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 4: A voice vote was in the affirmative to accept the report of the budget committee as presented by Chairman Charles Paquette. Mr. Paquette thanked the budget committee members for their participation and input in preparing the budget and also Selectman Harold Nowill who was stepping down as a selectman, for his contribution and input over the years, and for the cooperation of the Selectmen. Also, he recognized Katherine Haines, who is stepping down this year as a member of the budget committee.

James Milani recognized Charles Paquette for his many years of service (seven) on the budget committee, of which, four years he served as chairman. Mr. Paquette received a standing ovation of appreciation from the townspeople.

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made by Charles Paquette and seconded by Robert Yacubian to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$1,432,332.00) for the following purposes or to act in any way related thereto. (\$1,432,832 Recommended by the Budget Committee) (\$1,435,332 Recommended by the Selectmen)



	Board of Selectmen	Budget Committee
1.Town Officers' Salaries	95,326.00	95,326.00
2.Town Officers' Expense	39,952.00	39,952.00
3.General Operating Budget:		
Legal Expenses	35,000.00	35,000.00
SWRPC(Planning Commission)	3,488.00	3,488.00
Forest Fires	1,500.00	1,500.00
Street Lighting	19,700.00	19,700.00
Ambulance Service	17,000.00	17,000.00
General Assistance	40,000.00	40,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	300.00	300.00
Interest on Temp Loans	5,000.00	5,000.00
FICA/Medicare	38,940.00	38,940.00
Unemployment Comp.	2,500.00	2,500.00
Health Insurance	74,601.00	74,601.00
Life/ADA/STD/LTD	4,000.00	4,000.00
General Insurance	73,659.00	73,659.00
Employees Retirement	11,250.00	11,250.00
Hepatitis B Shots	700.00	700.00
4.Elections/Registrations	3,350.00	3,350.00
5.Town Hall & Other Buildings	20,500.00	20,500.00
6.Planning Board	12,250.00	12,250.00
7.Zoning Board of Adjustments	2,690.00	2,690.00
8.Conservation Commission	850.00	850.00
9.Police Department	208,475.00	208,475.00
10.Animal Control	6,250.00	6,250.00
11.Civil Defense/OEM	17,450.00	17,450.00
12.Building Inspector	8,400.00	8,400.00
13.Health Officer	2,535.00	2,535.00
14.Town Road Maintenance	458,078.00	458,078.00
15.Cemeteries	30,920.00	30,920.00
16.Solid Waste	115,743.00	115,743.00
17.Library	43,925.00	43,925.00
18.Parks & Recreation	41,000.00	38,500.00
Total	\$1,435,332.00	\$1,432,832.00

A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Margaret Winn and seconded by Michael Plante to amend Article 5 by increasing Line 14-Town Road Maintenance by \$14,000, for the purpose of replacing the dump body on the 1984 truck.

A voice vote was in the affirmative to accept Article 5 as amended (\$1,446,832.00).

ARTICLE 6: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Charles Paquette and seconded by Harold Nowill to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$88,125.00) for the purpose of operation of the Chesterfield Fire Department, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee).

Payroll	12,000.00
PR-Inspections	2,500.00
Supplies	700.00
Telephone	900.00
Dues	600.00
Fire Prevention	300.00
Contracted Services	300.00
Training	1,500.00
Insurance	7,200.00
Repairs	6,000.00
Gas & Oil	1,000.00
Equipment Repairs	3,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Building Maintenance	1,000.00
Fuel Oil	5,000.00
Electricity	2,300.00
Principal/Long Tern Notes	20,000.00
Interest/Long Term Notes	13,825.00

Total	88,125.00
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ARTICLE 7: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Richard Cooper and seconded by Stephen Bevis to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the already established Chesterfield Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 8: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by William Vogeley and seconded by Richard Cooper to appropriate One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Sixty-Nine Dollars (\$115,069.00) to purchase a Fire Truck and Apparatus for the Chesterfield Fire Department authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Chesterfield Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund, or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 9: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Susan Newcomer to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to be added to the already established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 10: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Warren Porter to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$72,028.00) for the purpose of Tarring town roads, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 11: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the already established Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 12: A voice vote was in the negative and the article lost on an motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Seventy-Five Dollars (\$3,075.00) to purchase an Extendable Boom for the Highway Department or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 13: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Charles Paquette and seconded by James O'Neil to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$25,962.00) for the Construction/Reconstruction of roads or act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 14: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) for guard rails or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee),

ARTICLE 15: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion by James Milani and seconded by James O'Neil to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to purchase the following items for the Chesterfield Police Department:

Five (5) .40 cal. Smith & Wesson Handguns \$2,000.00  
Five (5) sets of Handgun Leather Gear \$1,000.00  
or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the  
Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 16: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Lester Fairbanks and seconded by Charles Paquette to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred (\$17,500.00) to be placed in the already established Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 17: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Lester Fairbanks to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize withdrawal of this amount from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund already established for this purpose, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 18: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Russell Bergeron and seconded by Winston Cray to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2,600.00) to install sinks in the restrooms and replace landscaping ties at North Shore and to authorize withdrawal of this amount from the Parks and Recreation Building Capital Reserve Fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 19: A standing vote was in the negative on a motion made by Susan Newcomer and seconded by Russell Bergeron to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Tennis Court, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be placed in this fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen)  
(Not recommended by the Budget Committee)

Yes 72 No 85

ARTICLE 20: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Audrey Ericson and seconded by Nancy Plante to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be added to the already established New Library Construction Capital Reserve Fund, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 21: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by

Harold Nowill and seconded by James O'Neil to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$3,881.00) to fund the correction of accessibility deficiencies at the Town Hall and Town Office Buildings, or to act in any way related thereto. Community Development Block Grant monies in the amount of One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Dollars (\$1,940.00) will be received to offset this funding in the event that the Cheshire County ADA project grant application is awarded by the New Hampshire office of State Planning.

(Approval of this article does not affect the community's existing or future CDBG applications) (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 22: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to fund painting the exterior of the Town Office Building, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 23: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Susan Newcomer and seconded by Devin Starlanyl to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$7,475.00) to aid Home Health Care and Community Services and Meals on Wheels, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 24: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Judy Palmer to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Three (\$3,203.00) to support the work of the Monadnock Family and Mental Health Services, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 25: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Russell Bergeron to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140.00) to support the work of Windham Youth Services, or to act in any way related thereto. (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 26: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Ruth VanHouten and seconded by Susan Newcomer to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to support the work of the Keene Community Kitchen, or to act in any way related thereto. (Not recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee)



ARTICLE 27: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Charles Paquette and seconded by Martin Mahoney to raise nas appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$194.00) to support the work of the Keene Senior Center, or to act in any way related thereto. (Not Recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 28: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Devin Starlanyl and seconded by Suzanne Thompson to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the Gathering Place Adult Day Services in Brattleboro (VT) and Wilmington (VT), or act in any way related thereto. The Gathering Place provides adults who are isolated, frail or diabled with a safe and supportive day center where they can meet peers, participate in enriching activities, receive preventative medical attention, and remain active in their communities. Participants have diverse nees, from those who suffer from Alzheimer's Disease or other forms of dementia to those who have physical or emotional disabilities. The Gathering Place also provides their caregivers with respite, support and education. The center is open in Brattleboro on weekdays and in Wilmington on Wednesdays. (By Petition) (Not Recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 29: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to allow the Board of Selectmen to dispose of municipal assets by sealed bid, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 30: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Charles Paquette to authorize the Board of Seletmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e or to act any way related thereto. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting such gift, and the acceptance shall not bind the town to raise, appropriate, or expend any public funds for the opereration, maintenance, repair, or replacement of any such personal property.

ARTICLE 31: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Warren Porter to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 32: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Cornelia Jenness and seconded by Martin Mahoney to accept the



following trust funds to be added to the Chesterfield Cemetery Maintenance Fund and to dispense with the reading of the same.

Peter J. and Ellen C. Gammans	\$600.00
Gary and Renee Gammans	
C. Geoffrey and Lauren Gammans	
Friedsam - Lots 252A & B, 253A & B	
Leslie A. and Joanne M. MacLean	300.00
Friedsam - Lots 82A & B	
James E. Leahy	\$600.00
Friedsam - Lots 26A & B, 27A & B	
Norman R. D. and Violet P. Smith	300.00
Friedam - Lots 54A & B	
Jason Leahy	50.00
Friedsam - Lots 28A & B	
Elmer A., Sr and Helen M. Davis	900.00
Friedsam - Lots 228A & B, 240A & B, 241A & B	

ARTICLE 33: A voice vote was in the negative and article lost on a motion made by Alfred Chesley and seconded by Richard Wolf to raise and appropriate the amount of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars (\$109,292.00) to fund the following petitioned request: "We the undersigned residents and taxpayers of Pinnacle Springs Chesterfield; respectfully request that the unpaved portion of the roads in the Pinnacle Springs area be graded as necessary and then paved or hard surfaced. These roads are Pinnacle Lane, Split Oak Road, Pinnacle Pond Road and the Old Farm Road, now a part of Foley Road. This road should be widened enough to let two cars pass conveniently and then paved", or act in any way related thereto. (By Petition) (Not recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 34: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Kathleen Davidson and seconded by James O'Neil to designate the Gulf Road a scenic Road. ( By Petition)

At the discretion of the Moderator Article 36 was acted upon next.

ARTICLE 36: The following was submitted by petition: The Gulf Road is a historic and scenic road which follows winding brooks and includes several road side waterfalls. The residents chose the dirt road life style. They are concerned about the destruction of

beauty, the speed of traffic and the cost of tarring the road. We the undersigned believe the Gulf Road should not be paved.

At the suggestion of town counsel the motion for Article 36 should read: "The Gulf Road should not be paved".

A voice vote in the affirmative on a motion by Leopold Berman and seconded by James O'Neil that the Gulf Road should not be paved.

ARTICLE 35: A motion was made by Ruth VanHouten and seconded by Elizabeth Benjamin to increase the number of members of the Parks and Recreation Commission from five to seven members, and to have all members of the Parks and Recreation Commission elected instead of appointed. Election of these commission members to be included on the ballot with the other Town Officers. (By Petition)

A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Kathleen Davidson and seconded by Russell Bergeron to keep the composition of the Parks and Recreation Commission at five (5) members and to have all members of the Parks and Recreation Commission elected instead of appointed. Election of these commission members to be included on the ballot with other town officers.

A voice vote was in the affirmative to accept the article as amended.

ARTICLE 37: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by Harold Nowill and seconded by Warren Porter to accept the deed to the Chesterfield West Cemetery including all trust funds established for care of the lots therein and including all bank accounts established by the Chesterfield West Cemetery Association, or act in any way related thereto.

ARTICLE 38: A voice vote was in the affirmative on a motion made by James O'Neil and seconded by Charles Paquette to direct the Selectmen's office to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee of not less than 10 town residents to formulate a "Town Mission Statement" outlining criteria used to determine appropriateness of Town support for non-profit (private) organizations. Further, to formulate a town warrant article limiting the maximum amount of town funds to be allocated in support of non-profit organization activities. (By example: A percent of the proposed annual town budget.)

A voice vote was in the negative on a motion made by Thomas Woodman and seconded by Lawrence Lester to reconsider Article 5.

Harold Nowill and James Machleid received a standing ovation from the townspeople in appreciation for their years of service as selectmen.

The Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

The polls were declared closed by the Moderator, and ballots cast under Articles One and Two were counted.

Number of Names on Checklist	1921
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Number of Ballots Cast	426
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ARTICLE	1		<u>VOTES*DECLARED/ELECTED</u>
Moderator for Two Years			
	Terry Wigginn	(Write-in)	51 *
	Gary Winn	(Write-in)	35
	Numerous Scattered Votes		
Selectmen for One Year			
	Alvin Davis		329 *
	Rickey Lake	(Write-in)	52
Selectmen for Three Years			
	Timothy Butterworth		340 *
Tax Collector for One Year			
	Elizabeth A. Benjamin		391 *
Treasurer for One Year			
	Edward C. Cheever		355 *
Auditor for Two Years			
	Kenneth A. Woodward		357 *
Supervisor of the Checklist for Six Years			
	Clifford E. White		363 *
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years			
	Jane D. Perham		368 *
Fireward for Three Years (West)			
	Richard Cooper		326 *
Three Members/ Budget Committee for Three Years:			
	"Bob " Del Sesto		208 *
	James Milani		195 *
	Lisa M. Prince		222 *
	Stephen L. Laskowski		90

Patricia L. Martin	172	
Davis E. Peach	148	
Kathleen B. Stohr	181	
Cemetery Commission for Two Years		
Elinor H. Morgan	364	*
Cemetery Commission for Three Years		
Louis E. Perham	362	*
Library Trustee for One Year		
Jane Allen (Write-in)	14	* (Declined)
James Milani (Write-in)	7	
Numerous scattered votes		
Three Members/Library Trustee for Three Years:		
Cynthia B. Houghton	342	*
Leslie A. MacLean	332	*
Elizabeth Benjamin (Write-in)	11	*
Numerous scattered votes		

ARTICLE 2: The results of the vote by ballot on the adoption of amendments to the Zoning Ordinances are as follows:

1. The vote was in the negative and the amendment lost on adopting the amendment to the Building Ordinances concerning Section IV, immediately following Article 16.3; Adding Article 16.4; Driveway Paving Permits:

"Paving of any new or existing driveways will require a driveway paving permit issued by the Highway Department. If the driveway to be paved is new, the paving permit will be issued with the new driveway permit. Paving of existing driveways will require a paving permit only. The driveway paving permit will include an information sheet with instructions and limitation for paving", as proposed by the Planning Board.

Yes 161

No 248

2. The vote was in the affirmative to incorporate as an amendment to the R/A District, Article II; Section 204.3.C; by deleting the words "and subdivisions" from the following sentence: Manufactured Housing Parks and Subdivisions subject to compliance with the additional requirements of Section 300, as proposed by the Planning Board.

(Manufactured Housing Parks and Subdivisions are a permitted use under Article III, Sections 300.1-300.4).

(A yes vote is necessary in order to correct a contradiction in our current ordinance.)

Yes 316 No 78

3. The vote was in the affirmative on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board.

Concerning Article III; Section 300.2; (Manufactured Housing Parks); Part B:2; to change density from 0.5 units per acre to 1 unit per acre.

Yes 269 No 135

4. The vote was in the affirmative on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board, to incorporate as an amendment to Article IV, section 401.2 concerning Signs by adding the words "per-business" as follows:

"No business sign may have a surface area larger than thirty-two (32) square feet per-business".

Yes 293 No 105

5. The vote was in the negative to change the zoning from O/R/S (Office/Retail/Services) to C/I (Commercial/Industrial) of property owned by Pasquale J. Florio and Sylvia Florio on Route 9, known as Spofford Motor Lodge. Tax Map #10A, Block A, Parcel 2; containing 1.4 total acres. (By petition) Not recommended by the Planning Board)

Yes 180 No 225

Respectfully submitted.

Betsey C. Chickering  
Town Clerk

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION, TAXES ASSESSED & TAX RATE 1996

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34.

Date: March 21, 1996

Warren H. Porter, Chmn.  
Timothy Butterworth  
Alvin Davis

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

Executive	\$ 95,326
Election, Registration & Vital Stats.	3,350
Financial Administration	32,532
Revaluation of Property	7,420
Legal Expense	35,000
Personnel Administration	131,291
Planning and Zoning	14,940
General Government Buildings	20,500
Cemeteries	30,920
Insurance	73,659
Advertising & Regional Association	3,488
Other General Government	1,944

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police	208,475
Ambulance	17,000
Fire	54,300
Building Inspection	8,400
Emergency Management	17,450
Other Public Safety (Forest Fires)	1,500

**HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:**

Highways and Streets	570,068
Street Lighting	19,700

**SANITATION:**

Solid Waste Disposal	115,743
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**HEALTH:**

Animal Control	6,250
Health Agencies and Hospitals	14,053

**WELFARE:**

Direct Assistance	40,000
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**CULTURE AND RECREATION:**

Parks and Recreation	38,500
Library	43,925
Patriotic Purposes	300

**CONSERVATION:**

Commission Operating Budget	850
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**DEBT SERVICE:**

Principal-Long Term Bonds & Notes	20,000
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	13,825
Interest on TANS	5,000

**CAPITAL OUTLAY:**

Land and Improvements	5,500
Machines, Vehicles & Equipment	144,069
Buildings	11,481

**OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:**

To Capital Reserve Funds	115,500
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**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

\$1,922,259

**NET ASSESSED VALUATION:**

236,813,909

**TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT:**

5,802,669

**TAX RATE PER THOUSAND OF VALUATION:**

Municipal	3.72
County	2.42
School	17.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23.99</b>

Spofford Fire District	.43	TOTAL = 24.42
Chesterfield Fire Department	.97	TOTAL = 24.95

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES - 1996

ITEMS	95 Approp.	Income	Available	Expended	+Unexpended -Overdraft	
EXECUTIVE	80,083	56,956	80,083	76,639	+	3,444
ELECTIONS, REGIST., VITAL ST.	22,319	0	22,319	20,207	+	2,112
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	36,226	0	36,226	32,787	+	3,439
LEGAL EXPENSE	35,000	0	35,000	13,441	+	21,559
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	131,291	0	131,291	116,682	+	14,609
PLANNING BOARD	12,250	0	12,250	11,317	+	933
ZONING	2,690	0	2,690	3,209	-	519
GENERAL GOV. BUILDINGS	20,500	0	20,500	18,320	+	2,180
CEMETERIES	30,920	0	30,920	30,893	+	27
INSURANCE	73,659	0	73,659	62,809	+	10,850
REGIONAL ASSOC. (SWRPC)	3,488	0	3,488	3,523	-	35
POLICE DEPARTMENT	208,475	575	209,050	183,063	+	25,987
AMBULANCE	17,000	0	17,000	14,764	+	2,236
FIRE DEPARTMENT	88,125	303	88,428	81,059	+	7,369
BUILDING INSPECTION	8,400	0	8,400	7,016	+	1,384
CIVIL DEFENSE (OEM)	17,450	0	17,450	3,645	+	13,805
FOREST FIRES	1,500	0	1,500	1,628	-	128
TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE	472,078	21,685	493,763	471,713	+	22,050
STREET LIGHTING	19,700	0	19,700	18,944	+	756
CONSTRUCTION/RECONSTRUCTION	25,962	31,111	57,273	39,743	+	17,530
TARRING	72,028	0	72,028	71,838	+	190
SOLID WASTE	115,743	0	115,743	106,444	+	9,299
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	2,535	0	2,535	859	+	1,676
ANIMAL CONTROL	6,250	0	6,250	1,911	+	4,339
HEPATITIS B SHOTS	700	0	700	90	+	610
HOME HEALTH	7,475	0	7,475	6,529	+	946
MONADNOCK FAMILY MENTAL HEALTH	3,203	0	3,203	3,203	0	0
KEENE COMMUNITY KITCHEN	1,500	0	1,500	1,500	0	0
WINDHAM YOUTH SERVICES	140	0	140	140	0	0
KEENE SENIOR CENTER	194	0	194	194	0	0
THE GATHERING PLACE	250	0	250	250	0	0
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	40,000	1,935	41,935	16,932	+	25,003
PARKS & RECREATION	38,500	0	38,500	31,042	+	7,458
LIBRARY	43,925	0	43,925	43,925	0	0
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	300	0	300	244	+	56
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	850	0	850	323	+	527
INTEREST ON TEMP. LOANS	5,000	0	5,000	39	+	4,961
CFD FIRE TRUCK PURCHASE	115,069	0	115,069	115,069	0	0
POLICE CRUISER PURCHASE	26,000	0	26,000	25,776	+	224
POLICE GUNS & GEAR	3,000	0	3,000	2,768	+	232
PARKS & REC/N. SHORE PROJECT	2,600	0	2,600	2,600	0	0

TOWN BUILDINGS/ACCESS REPAIRS	3,881	0	3,881	0	3,881
TOWN OFFICE EXTERIOR PAINTING	5,000	0	5,000	2,750	+
GUARD RAILS	5,500	0	5,500	5,500	+
HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENT FUND	30,000	0	30,000	30,000	0
CFD FIRE TRUCK FUND	10,000	0	10,000	10,000	0
POLICE CRUISER FUND	17,500	0	17,500	17,500	0
NEW LIBRARY FUND	50,000	0	50,000	50,000	0
REVALUATION FUND	8,000	0	8,000	8,000	0

1,991,841 112,565 2,094,749 1,898,074 + 196,675

# LIABILITIES TO CARRY OVER - 1997

-Police Cruiser	\$ 224
-Police Guns & Gear	232
-Town Bldgs/Access Rep.	3,881
-Town Office Ext. Painting	<u>2,250</u>
Total:	\$6,587

APPROPRIATIONS SURPLUS:	196,675
LIABILITIES TO CARRY OVER 1997:	< 6,587 >
UNEXPENDED BALANCE:	190,088
REVENUES IN EXCESS OF ESTIMATE:	280,482
BALANCE (SURPLUS)	\$ 470,570

REVENUES RECEIVED:	1,229,463
REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES:	- 948,981
BALANCE:	<u>280,844</u>

# STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUES FOR 1996

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
<b>TAXES</b>		
Land Use Change Tax	0	2,910
Yield Tax	5,000	14,578
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	80,000	57,849
<b>LICENCES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>		
Business Licenses & Permits	3,500	11,617
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	330,000	432,686
Building Permits	8,000	8,197
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	12,000	11,839
<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		
Police COPS FAST Grant	20,888	21,447
<b>FROM STATE</b>		
Shared Revenues	65,000	73,746
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	0	25,573
Highway Block Grant	90,000	88,950
State & Fed. Forest Land Reim.	3,500	6,240
Other	30,000	26,118
<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>		
	0	2,134
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>		
Income From Departments	85,000	34,632
Other Charges	0	34,456
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>		
Sale of Municipal Property	20,000	0
Interest on Investments	10,000	56,947
Other	39,349	167,241
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>		
Capital Reserve Fund	146,744	143,669
Trust & Agency Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>8,634</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>948,981</b>	<b>1,229,463</b>

FINANCIAL REPORT AS AMENDED  
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	<u>Beginning Year</u>	<u>End Year</u>
Cash and Equivalents	\$1,525,442	\$1,737,341
Taxes Receivable	450,130	527,052
Tax Liens Receivable	228,401	165,884
Total Assets:	\$2,203,973	\$2,430,277

LIABILITIES

Warrants and Accounts Payable		\$ 23,969
Due to Other Governments		1,371
Due to School District	1,743,395	1,897,311
Total Liabilities:	\$1,743,395	\$1,922,651

FUND EQUITY

Reserve for Encumbrances	\$ 1,421	\$ 36,050
Reserve for Special Purposes	\$ 14,917	\$ 31,130
Unreserved Fund Balance	444,240	440,446
Total Fund Equity	\$ 460,578	\$ 507,626

Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$2,203,973	\$2,430,277
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**FINANCIAL REPORT AS AMENDED  
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995  
REVENUES - Modified Accrual**

FROM TAXES:		
Property Taxes 1995	\$5,426,214	
Land Use Change Taxes	6,925	
Yield Taxes	16,419	
Interest and Penalties on Del. Taxes	80,018	
Total:		\$5,529,576
LICENSES AND PERMITS:		
Business Licenses and Permits	3,486	
Motor Vehicles	371,331	
Building Permits	8,526	
Other Licenses	13,122	
Total:		396,465
REVENUES FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		16,427
REVENUES FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:		
Shared Revenue Block Grants	93,360	
Highway Block Grants	90,058	
State and Federal Forest Reimburse	3,663	
Other State and Reimbursements	31,033	
Total:		218,114
REVENUES FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:		33,730
REVENUES FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES:		
Income from Departments	5,236	
Garbage Refuse Charges	27,617	
Other Charges	34,448	
Total:		67,301
REVENUES FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:		
Sale of Municipal Property		
Interest on Investments	50,904	
Rents of Property	2,945	
Fines and Forfeits	4,185	
Insurance Dividends & Reimburse	42,101	
Contributions and Donations	2,750	
Other Miscellaneous Sources	11,054	
Total:		113,939
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:		
Transfers from Capital Reserve Funds	108,818	
Transfers from Trust & Agency Funds	13,519	
Total:		122,337
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES		6,497,889
TOTAL FUND BALANCE 1/1/95		460,578
GRAND TOTAL:		6,958,467



**FINANCIAL REPORT AS AMENDED  
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995**

**EXPENDITURES**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

Executive	\$78,024	
Elections, Registration, Vital Stats.	18,303	
Financial Administration	27,955	
Revaluation of Property	6,717	
Legal Expense	31,037	
Personnel Administration	113,896	
Planning and Zoning	8,082	
General Government Buildings	20,052	
Cemeteries	29,054	
Insurance	71,524	
Advertising/Regional Association	3,488	
Total:		408,132

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police	199,790	
Ambulance	16,239	
Building Inspection	6,783	
Emergency Management	14,333	
Other Public Safety (Forest Fires)	3,090	
Total:		240,235

**HIGHWAYS:**

Administration	193,944	
Highways and Streets	439,163	
Street Lighting	18,349	
Other Highway, Streets, Bridges	116,919	
Total:		768,375

**SANITATION:**

Administration	54,985	
Solid Waste Disposal	65,085	
Total:		120,070

**HEALTH:**

Administration	1,016	
Pest Control (Animal Control)	3,315	
Health Agencies and Hospitals	12,138	
Total:		16,469

**WELFARE:**

Direct Assistance	29,847	
Total:		29,847

**CULTURE AND RECREATION:**

Parks and Recreation	39,319	
Total:		39,319

CONSERVATION:		
Commission Expenses	165	
Total:		165
DEBT SERVICE:		
Interest on TANS	428	
Total:		428
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:		
Transfers to Special Revenue Funds	37,400	
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	141,500	
Transfers to Trust & Agency Funds	3,350	
Total:		182,250
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS:		
Taxes Paid to County	587,363	
Taxes Paid to Village District	156,209	
Taxes Paid to School District	3,899,290	
Payment to other Governments (State)	2,689	
Total:		4,645,551
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		6,450,841
FUND BALANCE 12/31/95		507,626
GRAND TOTAL:		6,958,467

**STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT**

MUNICIPALITY: Chesterfield NH

TYPE OF NOTE (BOND OR LONG-TERM): Bond

AMOUNT OF BOND OR LONG-TERM NOTE: \$ 267,750

PURPOSE OF ISSUE: To erect the Chesterfield Fire Station

AUTHORIZED BY : Annual Meeting      DATE: 3/8/94

DATE ISSUED: 8/15/94      DATE DUE: 8/15/2009

AMOUNT: \$ 267,750      INTEREST RATE: 7%

PRINCIPAL PAYABLE DATE: 8/15/96

INTEREST PAYABLE DATES: 2/15/96 & 8/15/96

INITIAL PAYMENT DUE: 8/15/95

ANNUAL PRINCIPAL PAYMENT: \$20,000

BANK(S): NH Municipal Bond Bank

# SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 522,950
Furniture and Equipment	24,000
Library, Lands and Buildings	111,250
Equipment	30,000
Police Department, Lands and Building	30,000
Equipment	59,000
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	186,100
Equipment	59,000
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	316,700
Equipment	413,900
Materials and Supplies	2,000
Parks, Common and Playgrounds	
North Shore	231,400
South Shore	833,600
Friedsam	222,200
Friedsam	160,800
Schools; Lands, Buildings	1,862,800
All Lands and Buildings Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deed:	
2B-B17	25,700
5E-D06	21,500
5E-D12	35,100
5E-D13	56,200
5E-D19	22,900
5E-D22	34,600
5K-A04	33,700
06-A32.1	28,900
8-C03	32,700
8-C23	7,600
11A-B07	13,400
15-A15.4	24,800
21-A03	8,300
21-A03.1	13,400
5J-D02,3,4,&7; 5J-E03,4,&6	191,800
All Other Property and Equipment	
Transfer Station	
- Buildings/Land/Equipment	220,050
7-A-7 Blodgett/Ricci Donation	3,600
14C-D05 Gulf Road Green Belt	44,400
Wares Grove Buildings	95,900
Chesterfield Fire Pond	8,900
24 A01&2 Off Gulf Road	80,000
Total:	6,069,150

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

FOR THE YEAR 1996

RECEIPTS

Dog Licenses 1995

6 Issued \$ 18.50

Dog Licenses for 1996

644 Issued 4,600.50

Total Dog Licenses \$ 4,619.00

Vehicle Permits: 4585 Issued 432,570.00

Penalty Fees 65.00

Filing Fees 11.00

Parking Fines 1,115.00

Marriage Licenses 836.00

Vital Record Fees 192.00

434,789.00

Total Receipts \$439,408.00

PAYMENTS

Clerk's Fee for Issuing:

650 Dog Licenses 650.00

Paid to Treasurer:

Dog Licenses 3,969.00

Vehicle Permits 432,570.00

Penalty Fees 65.00

Filing Fees 11.00

Parking Fines 1,115.00

Marriage Licenses 836.00

Vital Record Fees 192.00

Total Payments \$439,408.00

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 12/31/96**

	LEVIES OF 1996	1995	PRIOR
Uncollected Taxes			
Beginning of Year:			
Property Taxes		573,148.26	
Land Use Change		450.00	
Yield Taxes		3,196.08	258.25
Taxes Committed This Year:			
Property Taxes	5,816,422.00	71.00	
Land Use Change	2,460.00		
Yield Taxes	13,641.37		
Overpayment:			
Property Taxes	10,156.36	1,349.93	
Bad Check Fees	10.00		
Interest Collected			
On Delinquent Tax: (Property)	4,810.62	14,619.42	
(Yield)			
 TOTAL DEBITS	 <u>\$5,847,500.35</u>	 <u>\$592,834.69</u>	 <u>\$ 258.25</u>
 Remitted to Treasurer			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	5,284,343.26	384,123.12	
Land Use Change	2,460.00	450.00	
Yield Taxes	11,381.46	3,196.08	
Interest (Property)	4,810.00	14,619.42	
(Yield)		109.57	
(Land Use Change)			
Conversion to Lien		188,912.17	
Overpayments	10,156.36	1,349.93	
Bad Check Charge	10.00		
Discounts Allowed:	91,697.68		
Abatements Made:			
Property Taxes	6,665.00	25.00	
Yield	205.94		
Adjustments		49.40	
Uncollected Revenue End of Year:			
Property Taxes	433,716.06		
Yield Taxes	2,053.97		258.25
Land Use Change			
 TOTAL CREDITS	 <u>\$5,847,500.35</u>	 <u>\$592,834.69</u>	 <u>\$ 258.25</u>



TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR CHESTERFIELD  
SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

DR.	<u>***ON LEVIES OF***</u> <u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>PRIOR</u>
Unredeemed Taxes Balance			
At Beginning of Fiscal Year:		125,159.97	90,723.75
Liens Executed During			
Fiscal Year:	204,531.55		
Interest & Costs Collected After			
Sale/Lien Execution:	4,463.85	10,033.03	22,398.11
 TOTAL DEBITS	 <u>\$208,995.40</u>	 <u>\$135,193.00</u>	 <u>\$113,121.86</u>
 CR.			
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	60,426.41	38,437.72	66,881.94
Interest/Costs (After			
Lien Execution)	4,463.85	10,033.03	22,398.11
Adjutments	(94.61)	94.61	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	721.00		6,530.60
Liens Deeded to Municipality	4,064.01	3,731.63	3,673.60
Unredeemed Liens Balance			
End of Year	139,414.74	82,896.01	13,637.61
 TOTAL CREDITS	 <u>\$208,995.40</u>	 <u>\$135,198.00</u>	 <u>\$113,121.86</u>

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

TREASURERS REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 1996

BEGINNING BALANCE FISCAL YEAR 1995		\$1706660.42
REVENUE FROM TAXES:		
Property Taxes	6050250.29	
Land Use Change Taxes	2910.00	
Yield Taxes	14577.54	
Penalties & Interest	57849.08	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM TAXES:		\$6125586.91
REVENUE FROM LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES:		
Business Licenses & Permits	11616.63	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	432686.20	
Building Permits	8196.60	
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	11839.48	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES:		\$ 464338.91
REVENUE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
Police Officer Grant	21447.46	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		\$ 21447.46
REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF N.H.:		
Shared Revenue Block Grants	99313.08	
Highway Block Grants	88949.52	
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimb.	6239.50	
Other State Grants & Reimb.	26117.02	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF N.H.		\$ 220619.12
REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:		
Local Government Dept. Reimb.	2134.18	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:		\$ 2134.18
REVENUE FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES:		
Income from Departments	8448.66	
Garbage - Refuse Charges	26184.28	
Recreational Services	34456.17	
TOTAL REVENUE FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES:		\$ 69089.11

REVENUES FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:

Interest on Investments	56946.78
Rents of Property	2305.00
Fines and Forfeits	60011.00
Insurance Dividends & Reimburse	48349.50
Cemetery Trust Funds	4000.00
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	26172.16
Revenue Adjustments	26408.20

TOTAL REVENUE FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES: \$ 224192.64

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:

Transfers from Cap. Res. Fund	143669.00
Trans. from Trust Funds	8633.77

TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS IN: \$ 152302.77

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE - FISCAL YEAR 1996 \$8986371.52

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - FISCAL YEAR 1996 (\$6856431.03)

ENDING BALANCE - FISCAL YEAR 1996 \$2129940.49

Edward Cheever  
Treasurer

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
RECONCILIATION OF CASH BOOK AND BANK BALANCES

Beginning Balance Fiscal Year 1996	\$1706660.42	
Receipts Fiscal Year 1996	7279711.10	
Total Funds Available Fiscal Year 1996		\$8986371.52
Disbursements During Fiscal Year 1996		(6856431.03)
Balance End of Fiscal Year 1996		2129940.49

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance per Statements in Granite Bank 12/31/96:		
Acct. # 602000123	(2554.31)	
Acct. # 604000626	2109775.29	
Acct. # 602000110	40000.00	
Deposits in Transit:		
12/31/96	35624.14	
12/31/96	2562.40	
12/31/96	15164.50	
12/31/96	33036.17	
Total Funds per Statements & in Transit		2233698.19
Outstanding Checks Acct. #602000123		(5605.60)
Acct. #602000110		( 98152.10)
CHECK BOOK BALANCE		2129940.49

Edward Cheever  
Treasurer

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

FISCAL YEAR 1996

MISC. ACCOUNT BALANCES

GRANITE BANK

DRUG FORFEITURE ACCT.

# 602000961 125.14

12/31/96 BALANCE 125.14

LAND USE CHANGE TAX ACCT.

# 603008865 Closed 12/27/96

# 605005362 Closed 12/13/96

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCT.

# 603008713 294.23

# 605005354 16128.59

BALANCE 16422.82

Edward Cheever

Treasurer



TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNT

SAVINGS ACCOUNT #603008713

Balance 12/31/95	286.36
Earned Interest 1996	<u>7.87</u>
Balance 12/31/96	294.23

CD ACCOUNT #605005354

Balance 12/31/95	13904.19
Earned Interest 1996	743.08
Deposited Funds For 1996	<u>1481.32</u>
Balance 12/31/96	16128.59

Invested thru 12/13/97 @ 5.44% Annual Yield

Edward Cheever  
Treasurer

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

LAND USE CHANGE TAX ACCOUNT

SAVINGS ACCOUNT #603008865

Balance 12/31/95	307.02
Earned Interest 1996	<u>7.63</u>
Balance 12/27/96	314.65
Transferred to Acct. #602000110	<u>(314.65)</u>
Balance 12/31/96	00.00

ACCOUNT CLOSED

CD ACCOUNT #605005362

Balance 12/31/95	16057.53
Earned Interest 1996	<u>858.29</u>
Balance 12/13/96	16915.82
Transferred to Acct. #602000110	<u>(16915.82)</u>
Balance 12/31/96	00.00

ACCOUNT CLOSED

Edward Cheever  
Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS 1997  
(Exclusive of Property Taxes)

ACCT# SOURCE

1996 REC'D

**TAXES**

3120	Land Use Change tax	\$	2,910
3185	Yield Tax		14,578
3190	Int & Pen on Taxes		57,849

\$ 75,337

**LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES**

3210	Franchise Fees	\$	11,617
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		432,686
3230	Building Permits		8,197
3290	Other Lic, Permits & Fees		
	Dog licenses		3,969
	Marriage licenses		836
	Vital records		192
	Boat fees		6,519
	Current Use recording fees		103
	Pistol permits		220

\$ 464,339

**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

3319	Police COPS FAST Grant	\$	21,447	\$	21,447
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**FROM STATE**

3351	Shared Revenues	\$	73,746
3352	Meals & Room Tax		25,573
3353	Highway Block Grant		88,950
3356	State & Fed Forest Reimb.		6,240
3359	Other		
	CFD - reimbursements		303
	OEM - state reimbursements		1,963
	Police - witness fees)		1,490
	Police - misc. grants		575
	Police - enforcement patrol		1,072
	Hwy - Oct'95 storm reimbursement		20,715

\$ 220,627

**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

3379	Hwy-fuel reimb/Spofford District	\$	293
	Hwy-labor reimb/Library		41
	CFD - OEM rental		1,800

\$ 2,134

**CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

3401	Income From Departments		
	Police - reports	\$	707
	Planning Board application fees		3,301
	Zoning Board application fees		736
	Cemetery - burials		3,704
3404	Solid Waste - recycling		26,184
	Other Charges		
3409	Parks & Recreation - income		34,456

\$ 69,088

# MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

3502	Interest on Investments	\$ 56,947
	Other	
3503	Rents	2,305
3504	Police - court fines	4,499
	Police - parking fines	1,115
	El/Reg-misc fines/forfeits	65
	Letter of credit called	54,322
	Tax Collector fee	10
3506	Health Insurance reimbursements	6,675
	Workman's Comp reimbursement	41,674
3508	Cemetery - new trust funds	4,000
3509	Town Office copies	571
	Insurance refunds	2,634
	Welfare reimbursements	1,935
	Tax lien reimbursements	15,997
	Ambulance reimbursements	560
	Miscellaneous reimbursements	2,803
	Sales of car	656
	Highway - printer rebate	100
	Highway - reimb. from state	56
	Highway - insurance reimbursement	814
	NH Retirement reimbursement	42
	Returned checks	< 5,128 >
	Recovered checks	4,727
	Payroll escrow acct	1,881
	Voided checks	8,641
	Reissued checks	< 551 >
	Misc adjustments	16,838
		=====
		\$ 224,188

## INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:

3915	From Capital Reserves	
	(Fire Truck)	\$ 101,601
	(Parks & Rec)	42,068
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	
	(Cemetery Comm-trust fund income)	7,482
	(Hamilton Fund)	546
	(HHC income)	606
		=====
		\$ 152,303
		=====

TOTAL \$1,229,463

# 1996 DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

## EXECUTIVE

Selectmen's Salaries	\$ 4,200
Meetings & Conferences	1,017
Mileage	331
General Services	6,602
Tax Map Updating	358
Telephone	2,389
Advertising	2,429
Printing Town Repts/Inv. Books	2,350
Dues	1,566
Selectmen's Expense	720
Office Supplies	8,510
Postage	2,718
Town Car Maintenance	0
Office Equipment	1,001
Equipment Repairs	263
Administrative Assistant	28,133
Selectmen's Secretary	10,778
Supervisors of the Checklist	1,280
Trustees of Trust Funds	1,921
Trustees Expense	73
	<hr/> 76,639

## ELECTIONS, REGISTRATIONS & VITAL STATISTICS

Town Clerk Salary	10,569
Town Clerk - Motor Vehicle	6,810
Deputy Town Clerk	0
Election Payroll	1,738
Election Supplies	60
Election Meals	411
Election Ballots	276
Election Advertising	343
	<hr/> 20,207

## FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Bookkeeper's Salary	5,613
Auditors' Salary	2,000
Auditors' Expense	0
Property Appraisal	5,546
Deputy Tax Collector	389
Tax Collector's Fees	2,688
Tax Collector's Salary	8,460
Treasurer's Salary	6,844
Deputy Treasurer	300
Treasurer's Expense	439
Project Clerk	166
Budget Committee Secretary	342
	<hr/> 32,787

## LEGAL EXPENSE

13,441



PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Health Insurance	66,200
Life/Disability Insurance	3,081
FICA/Medicare	33,617
Employees' Retirement	8,052
P.D. Retirement	3,400
Unemployment Comp.	2,333
	<hr/> 116,683

PLANNING BOARD

P.T. Secretary	2,054
Technical Assistance	2,807
Services	126
Printing	551
Meetings/Conferences	17
Office Supplies	98
Advertising	551
Secretary's Expense	3
Postage	371
Master Plan Carry Over	4,739
	<hr/> 11,317

ZONING BOARD

P.T. Secretary	1,600
Meetings/Conferences	0
Office Supplies	47
Advertising	1,040
Secretary's Expense	0
Postage	522
	<hr/> 3,209

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Janitor	1,451
Electricity	3,572
Fuel Oil	3,293
Repairs & Maintenance	6,009
Kitchen Equipment	500
Supplies	466
Lawn Care	3,029
	<hr/> 18,320

CEMETERIES

Full Time Salaries	8,991
Part Time Salaries	12,992
Subcontract	440
Administrative Expenses	2,520
FICA	1,682
Meetings/Conferences	83
Transportation	1,000
Materials & Equipment	2,568
Equipment Maintenance	555
Maintenance	63
	<hr/> 30,893

GENERAL INSURANCE 62,809

REGIONAL ASSOCIATION (SWRPC) 3,523

POLICE

Chief's Salary	7,804
Full Time Salaries	112,698
Part Time Salaries	11,998
Full Time Overtime	1,787
Mileage	1,174
Uniforms	1,994
Uniform Cleaning	754
Telephone/Fax	2,901
Fleet Maintenance	4,544
Vehicle Supplies	258
Printing	510
Dues & Subscriptions	345
Office Supplies	1,107
Investigations	357
Postage	260
Gas & Oil	5,440
Building Maintenance	1,589
Building Supplies	55
Office Equipment	2,137
Office Equipment Repair	576
Full Time Court	2,426
Part Time Court	312
Meetings/Conferences	10
Training	2,540
Secretary	13,250
Full Time Special Details	1,072
Janitor	576
Electricity	1,272
Fuel Oil	477
Equipment Purchase	1,817
Equipment Maintenance	1,021
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	183,063

AMBULANCE 14,764

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Payroll	7,848
Contracted Services	236
Rescue Supplies	751
Telephone	886
Electricity	2,181
Fuel Oil	1,971
Equipment Repair	1,543
Insurance	8,538
Dues	1,098
Vehicle Maintenance	7,940
Supplies	2,194
Equipment	9,075
Fire Prevention Services	330

PR Inspections	1,439
Training	880
Building Maintenance	<u>325</u>
	<b>47,234</b>

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Salary	6,189
Mileage	44
Supplies	562
Services	<u>222</u>
	<b>7,016</b>

OEM/CIVIL DEFENSE

Telephone	418
Lease	1,800
Supplies/Misc.	283
Equipment	8
RERP/NH	<u>1,136</u>
	<b>3,645</b>

FOREST FIRES

Training	1,296
Vehicle Maintenance	<u>332</u>
	<b>1,628</b>

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Dept. Head Salaries	58,517
Meetings & Conferences	485
Mileage	92
Uniforms	2,689
Telephone	1,211
Electricity	3,015
Spofford Dam	400
Dues	25
Supplies	1,603
Building Maintenance	2,360
Contracted Services	1,766
Equipment Repair	2,167
Rented Equipment	2,895
Parts/Supplies/Edges	9,764
Asphalt	2,261
Gas, Oil, Diesel	19,830
Equipment Purchase	4,323
Repair & Upkeep	67,131
Miscellaneous	638
Full-time Salaries	114,735
Part-time Salaries	21,193
Rails, Delineators, Posts	2,211
Chloride	10,777
Blocks & Covers	7,637
Sand & Gravel	82,475
Salt	<u>51,515</u>
	<b>471,713</b>

<u>CONSTRUCTION/RECONSTRUCTION</u>	39,743
<u>TARRING</u>	71,838
<u>GUARD RAILS</u>	5,500
<u>STREET LIGHTING</u>	18,944
<u>SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</u>	
Full-time Salaries	38,475
Part-time Salaries	16,627
Meetings & Conferences	247
Telephone	504
Electricity	3,015
Supplies	574
Fuel	557
Miscellaneous	135
Building/Additions	2,778
Equipment Repair	1,113
Transp/Hauling/Tipping	39,621
Contracted Services	2,798
	106,444
<u>HEALTH OFFICER</u>	
Salary	584
Mileage	30
Dues	80
Supplies	165
	859
<u>ANIMAL CONTROL</u>	
Salary	984
Mileage	289
Equipment Purchase	411
Supplies	45
Animal Containment	182
	1,911
<u>MISCELLANEOUS HEALTH</u>	
Hepatitis B Shots	90
Home Health Care/M-O-W	6,529
Monadnock Family/Mental Health	3,203
Community Kitchen	1,500
Youth Services	140
Keene Senior Center	194
The Gathering Place	250
	11,906
<u>GENERAL ASSISTANCE</u>	16,932
<u>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</u>	
COMMISSION	
Director Salary	2,500

Recertification	35
Advertising	100
Water Testing	163
Portable Toilets	1,098
T-Shirts	100
Miscellaneous	106

#### SUMMER PROGRAMS

Salaries	1,648
Swim Program	336
Materials	266
Transportation	644
Track/Field/Red Cross	253

#### WARES GROVE

Salaries	8,405
Concession Salaries	1,663
Ticket Salaries	1,509
Telephone	597
Electricity	667
Maintenance	634
Supplies	102
Concession Supplies	3,189
Plumbing/Pumping	225
Sand	202
Rubbish Removal	475

#### NORTH SHORE

Salaries	4,142
Telephone	518
Electricity	347
Maintenance	252
Supplies	158
Septic	369
Sand	89
Rubbish Removal	250
	<u>31,042</u>

#### LIBRARY 43,925

#### PATRIOTIC PURPOSES 244

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Supplies	52
Dues	175
Meetings/Conferences	46
Miscellaneous	50
	<u>323</u>

#### DEBT SERVICE

Principal Long Term Bonds/Notes	20,000
Interest Long Term Bonds/Notes	13,825
Interest on TANS	39
	<u>33,864</u>

CAPITAL OUTLAY

CFD Fire Truck Purchase	115,069
Police Cruiser Purchase	25,776
Police Guns & Gear	2,768
Parks & Rec-Sinks & Repl. Ties	2,600
Town Office Exterior Painting	<u>2,750</u>
	148,963

CAPITAL RESERVE PAYMENTS

Highway Heavy Equipment CRF	30,000
CFD Fire Truck CRF	10,000
Cruiser CRF	17,500
New Library Construction CRF	50,000
Revaluation CRF	<u>8,000</u>
	115,500

UNCLASSIFIED

New Trust Funds	2,100
Tax Liens	204,532
Discounts/Refunds, etc.	366,006
Land Use Change	<u>1,481</u>
	574,119

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS

County Taxes	577,600
Spofford Fire District	57,187
School District	3,869,290
Fees to State	<u>2,378</u>
	4,506,099

TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES	\$6,847,047
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## AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have carefully examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Fire Department, Library, Trustee of Trust Funds including verification of the securities, and cemetery trustees, pursuant to RSA 41:31. We have followed the State of New Hampshire's guidelines in MS-60 report series for auditors. Variances of financial data have been examined and explained by the respective Municipal Officers to the Town Auditors.

AUDITORS,

Kenneth A. Woodward  
Diane Celentano

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

REPORT FOR 1996

A 1996 guard rail appropriation was expended on Swanzey Road. With 1997 funds we will be able to complete this project.

The Herrick Road construction/reconstruction project was completed with the installion of guard rails.

Road resurfacing was done on Stoneleigh Heights, River Road, Pond Brook Road, Twin Brook Road, North Shore Road, High Street, Joslin Street, Canal Street and Butler Avenue.

In 1996 there were Thirteen Driveway applications issued.

After obtaining a wetlands permit from the New Hampshire Department of Enviromental Services we were able to expend construction/reconstruction funds on major culvert replacements as follows: one on Pond Brook Road and three on the Gulf Road and one on Hutchins Road. We also repaired two sections along the bank of the Connecticut River on Mountain Road by putting riprap in place to hold the bank and to save the road. With the conclusion of these projects, the damage done from the October 1995 and January 1996 storms has now been completed.

Without the purchase of any new equipment in 1996 we have seen an increase in cost and down time for equipment repair. We have a genuine need to replace the 1984 International Dump Truck and the 1988 One Ton Truck.

Respectfully Submitted

Bruce Russell  
Public Works Director

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD ON DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEF ICARY	HOW INVEST	P R I N C I P A L					I N C O M E			EXPENDED BAL YR END
					BAL BEGIN YEAR	NEW FUNDS	BAL END YEAR	INC BAL YEAR	INCOME AMOUNT	DUR	YEAR	M	
1992	Individual Cemetery Funds	Lol Care	CCC	CF1	153521.92	2100.00	155621.92		9293.42		5397.11		3886.31
1960	Elta Hubbard Town	Gen Cem Care	CCC	CF1	35843.27	0.00	35843.27	200.00	2163.23		2163.23		200.00
1941	Frank C. Hamilton	Food Child X-Mas	SEL	CF1	1886.67	0.00	1886.67	0.00	113.87		113.87		0.00
1941	Frank C. Hamilton	Elderly X-Mas	SEL	CF1	7157.09	0.00	7157.09	0.00	431.95		431.95		0.00
1988	Home Health Services	Home Health	SEL	CF1	10034.60	0.00	10034.60	0.00	605.61		605.61		0.00
1990	Chesterfield Scholars	School	INDIV	GB	12500.00	0.00	12500.00	740.02	713.10		500.00		953.12
1986	P.T.A. Scholastic Award	School	INDIV	GB	2500.00	650.00	3150.00	76.40	152.97		150.00		79.37
1989	Vocational Scholarship	Voc Scholarsh	INDIV	GB	8400.00	0.00	8400.00	356.81	470.92		500.00		327.73
1980	Bonney, Elizabeth F.	Sup Spoif Sch	CCS	CF1	2006.92	0.00	2006.92	0.00	121.12		121.12		0.00
1992	Slow Mills	Education	CCS	CF1	12031.14	5225.03	17256.17	1375.98	849.05		2225.03		0.00
1935	Beckley Library	Purch Books	LT	CF1	2219.80	0.00	2219.80	0.00	133.97		133.97		0.00
1962	Elta Hubbard Library	Gen Library	LT	CF1	16736.43	0.00	16736.43	0.00	1010.09		1010.09		0.00
1944	Elta Hubbard Library	Purch Books	LT	CF1	9222.44	0.00	9222.44	0.00	556.60		556.60		0.00
1941	Frank C. Hamilton Library	Purch Books	LT	CF1	2406.36	0.00	2406.36	0.00	145.23		145.23		0.00
1976	Sallie Fiedsam Library	Purch Books	LT	CF1	1003.46	0.00	1003.46	0.00	60.56		60.56		0.00
1931	Bonney, Elizabeth F.	Evan Preach	EVAN	CF1	888.73	0.00	888.73	0.00	53.64		53.64		0.00

TOTAL 278358.81 7975.03 286333.84 2749.21 17166.50 14233.84 5456.53

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD ON DECEMBER 31, 1996

## CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEF ICARY	HOW INVEST	P R I N C I P A L				
					BAL BEGIN YEAR	NEW FUNDS	GAIN OR LOSS	WITH DRAWALS	BAL END YEAR
1994	Chesterfield School District	Renov/Recon	CRF	GB	8,329.54	0.00	459.47	0.00	8,789.01
1989	Spofford Fire District	Fire Equip	CRF	CFX	16,420.20	15,000.00	923.72	0.00	32,343.92
1989	Spofford Fire District	Water Holes	CRF	CFX	3,074.38	0.00	134.56	0.00	3,208.94
1986	Town of Chesterfield	Cruiser Res	CRF	GB	8,828.44	17,500.00	350.08	26,000.00	678.52
1964	Town of Chesterfield	Fire Truck	CRF	CRB	11,813.79	0.00	428.73	0.00	0.00
1964	Town of Chesterfield	Fire Truck	CRF	GB	103,094.07	10,000.00	3,080.29	115,069.00	13,347.88
1959	Town of Chesterfield	Highway Equip	CRF	CFX	20,187.61	0.00	1,050.15	0.00	21,237.76
1959	Town of Chesterfield	Highway Equip	CRF	GB	0.00	30,000.00	127.78	0.00	30,127.78
1989	Town of Chesterfield	New Lib Cons	CRF	GB	73,001.43	0.00	3,880.19	0.00	76,881.62
1989	Town of Chesterfield	New Lib Cons	CRF	GB	0.00	50,000.00	220.33	0.00	50,220.33
1981	Town of Chesterfield	Parks & Rec	CRF	CFX	15,635.30	0.00	776.90	2,600.00	13,812.20
1994	Town of Chesterfield	Revaluation	CRF	CRB	553.66	0.00	36.61	0.00	590.27
1994	Town of Chesterfield	Revaluation	CRF	GB	0.00	8,000.00	35.25	0.00	8,035.25
	TOTAL				260,938.42	130,500.00	11,504.06	143,669.00	259,273.48

## EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	BENEF ICARY	HOW INVEST	P R I N C I P A L				
					BAL BEGIN YEAR	NEW FUNDS	GAIN OR LOSS	WITH DRAWALS	BAL END YEAR
1992	Chesterfield School District	HS/SpecEd	EXTRUST	GB	93095.54	0.00	5375.85	0.00	98471.39
1994	Town of Chesterfield	Fire Pond	EXTRUST	CRB	2105.90	0.00	129.68	0.00	2235.58
	TOTAL				95,201.44	0.00	5,505.53	0.00	100,706.97

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS  
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
DECEMBER 31, 1996

Description of Investment	Principal			Gains or (Losses) From Sales			Interest		
	Balance Beginning Year	Purchases Additions	Proceeds From Sales		Balance End Year		Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Balance End Year
CF 1 - GB	238734.98	729.08	0.00	0.00	239464.06		729.08	14550.61	15279.69
CF 1 - GB	8651.84	5746.90	0.00	0.00	14398.74		646.90	529.83	1176.73
CF 1 - GB		849.05	0.00	0.00	849.05		0.00	0.00	0.00
CF 1 - CFX	7575.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7575.00		0.00	457.90	457.90
TOTALS	\$254958.82	\$7325.03	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$262283.85		\$1375.98	\$15538.34	\$ 16914.32
									\$ 0.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS, TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
JANUARY 1, 1996 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1996

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance on Hand 1-1-96	2,749.21
New Funds and Additions	5,750.00
Capital Reserve Fund Additions	130,500.00
Capital Reserve Fund Withdrawals	143,669.00
Investment Dividends	<u>16,875.33</u>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>299,543.54</b>
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**EXPENDITURES:**

New Funds Invested	138,475.03
Capital Reserve Fund Withdrawals	143,669.00
Flowers	78.00
Chesterfield Cemetery Commission	7,482.34
Library Trustees	1,906.45
Selectmen: Hamilton X-Mas Funds	545.82
Home Health Services Fund	605.61
E. Bonney Funds: School Fund	121.12
Evangelical Preaching	53.64
P.T.A. Scholastic Award-Lauren Bakke	150.00
Vocational Scholarship Award-Rachel Davoli	500.00
Chesterfield Scholars Award-Lauren Bakke	500.00
Balance on Hand 12-31-96	<u>5,456.53</u>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>299,543.54</b>
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TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS  
TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
DONORS OF NEW FUNDS AND ADDITIONS 1996

Stow Mills (Education Fund)	3000.00	
Added from accumulated dividends	2225.03	
<u>TOTAL STOW MILLS ADDITION</u>		<u>5225.03</u>
CHESTERFIELD MAINTENANCE FUNDS		
Friedsam Cemetery		
Jason Leahy	75.00	
Lora Grace	175.00	
Lawrence & Virginia Jacobson	450.00	
John & Arlene Dudek	<u>525.00</u>	
Spofford Cemetery Annex		
Rodney, Mark & Marty Robinson	175.00	
Chesterfield West Cemetery		
James & Barbara Howell	700.00	
<u>TOTAL CHESTERFIELD MAINTENANCE ADDITIONS</u>		<u>2100.00</u>
SCHOLARSHIP FUND		
<u>Friends of Chesterfield School</u>		<u>650.00</u>
<u>TOTAL NEW FUNDS AND ADDITIONS</u>		<u>7975.03</u>

**CHESTERFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**1996 ANNUAL REPORT**

Commissioners are: Kathy Davidson, Kate Haines, Cliff Lerner, Jeff Newcomer, Tom Duston, Steve Fisher, Tim Butterworth, Selectman and McKim W. Mitchell, Chairman.

This past year has been one of the busiest for the commission. We've worked with a large number of requests for wetland applications, dealt with a good number of violations, attended workshops, hosted a meeting, and continued our work on the Friedsam Property.

We looked at 13 applications requesting permission to do work near wetlands, streams, or Spofford Lake. Due to the fact that the State of New Hampshire's , Department of Environmental Services (D.E.S.) only has one inspector for the State, it leaves a great deal of work to do for this volunteer commission. This involves reading the application, and then watching the work progress. We have not only worked closely with D.E.S., but also with Tim Butterworth, Selectman and Don Ashworth, Building Inspector in the area of enforcement.

Serving on the commission is getting much more involved and complicated so some of us have attended workshops. To help us do our job and help the property owner that has a question, concern or has a project. On December 4th, your town commission hosted an informational meeting for all other conservation commissions, selectmen, public works departments, and private contractors from Cheshire County. Katie Merriam, Resources and Training Officer for D.E.S. spoke on the new wetland permit process, the changes that have occurred in her department, and how it affects us. Your commission hopes to have future meetings for the general public to address questions and concerns.

More trail work has been done on the Friedsam Property. A large trail map that was produced by the Chesterfield School students has been erected at the parking lot on Twin Brook Road. Recently there have been other recent requests for development on the property, so before anything further is done on the property, we'll be holding an information and open discussion meeting. The date for this meeting has yet to be set but the public will be invited to attend.

In closing I would like to remind or inform those that are online that the commission has a web page. This has been developed and continually updated by Jeff Newcomer of the commission. We have also offered to share our page with other commissions throughout the county. Our website address is:

<http://www.keenesentinel.com/communit/towns/conscomm/cc.html>

Respectfully Submitted by,  
McKim W. Mitchell, Chairman  
Chesterfield Conservation Commission

Visit  
**The Chesterfield Conservation  
Commission  
Website**

Welcome to the Chesterfield Conservation Commission's website. It is our primary goal to work with our neighbors to provide for the protection and appreciation of the magnificent beauty and heritage of our special corner of New Hampshire. We hope that this Website will be valuable as a means of sharing our activities and programs. More importantly, we are confident that an enhanced public awareness of the natural treasures of Chesterfield will inevitably lead to greater commitment to their careful stewardship.



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## *Features*



**Activities & Events**  
*Contributions Welcomed*

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Recreation Resources

**Tour the Public Lands in Chesterfield**  
*Maps, Pictures, Directions and Descriptions of our  
public lands*



### **The Monadnock Conservation Forum**

*All are welcome to join in the discussion, share information about our regions  
natural treasure or announce upcoming events !*

**NEW!**

**SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING CENTER  
REPORT FOR 1996**

We saw changes as always, in the continuing challenge of **SOLID WASTE** in 1996. One of these changes was an increase or addition of fees charged for items coming into the Transfer Station. Although to some this seems like an unfair burden, the reality of the situation remains that to handle our waste stream, it is and will remain an ever increasing cost to all consumers. It is for this reason and in the interest of fairness that we have applied these fees in order that the persons that use the dump the most pay their share, instead of adding a blanket increase to ALL taxpayers, some of whom do not rely on us as much.

We have also changed our hours with an increase in the hours that we are OPEN. Our hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM to 4:45 PM. Saturday hours are 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM. We hope this will make it easier for people to get to us during regular hours.

Brian Krisch our long time, part-time person was made full time last year. Other additions include a new safer, neater storage tank for our waste oil. We have been accepted to receive grant money from the State of New Hampshire that will cover most of the cost of this tank.

Recycling remains strong in Chesterfield in evidence by the ever increasing population in our town. There were 11 new houses built and occupied last year, which may not sound like a lot but converted into "Solid Waste" terms this translates into a minimum increase of 22 TONS of trash being generated per year in Chesterfield--if only 2 people inhabit each household.

The total revenue for those keeping track, was down last year in a large part due to the much becalmed paper market which saw an unusual **BOOM** IN 1995, for which we reaped the benefits for in that year.

But as the following figures attest, Recycling still SAVES US money by keeping tonnage out of the dumpsters. A new item added this year is rags.

**ESTIMATED TONS RECYCLED IN 1996**

Magazines/Paper:	100 Tons	Newspaper:	66
Tons Metal/Aluminum(bulk)	57.42 Tons	Glass:	
86.81Tons Corrugated:	38 Tons	Plastic:	
11.47Tons			
Tin Cans:	14.41 Tons	Brown Bags:	4.5Tons
Aluminum Cans:	2.5 Tons	Rags:	1.25Tons

All these and more has saved the town at least \$30,000.00 in hauling charges. This in addition to the \$25,000.00 in income from these products bringing us in the neighborhood for \$55,000.00 in savings.

One of the most popular forms of recycling on site not even included in these amounts, but surely represents a good deal of tons deferred is the "Grab It" section. We are in the process of building a larger shed to house the wealth of great stuff that comes in all the time.

Again we wish to thank all those who helped us reach this successful outcome. We would also like to remind everyone to keep buying products made from Recycled materials.....Complete the circle and continued success is guaranteed.

#### Transfer Station Attendants

Susan Armstrong  
Craig Day  
JoAnne Howard  
Brian Krisch



**CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT  
REPORT - 1996**

To: Townspeople of Chesterfield  
From: Acting Chief Lester C. Fairbanks  
Re: Annual Report of the Police Department

This report to the residents of Chesterfield is intended to give an overview of the police department's activities for the past year and to explain this year's budget proposal and programs.

Chief Eric Sargent left the department in February 1996 after approximately 16 years of dedicated service to the town. His expertise and guidance will be missed by the department and town. Personally, I have found 1996 to be challenging as I tackled the administrative duties of Chief of Police while the selection of a new chief progressed. I would like to thank the members of the Chesterfield Police Department, the Board of Selectmen and the townspeople for their assistance and patience during this time. I am pleased to announce that starting February 17, 1997, Earl Nelson will become the new Chief of Police. Earl brings many years of experience in law enforcement and an outgoing personality well suited for this community. I hope you will join me in welcoming Earl Nelson to Chesterfield, and I invite you to stop into the police department and meet him.

The department remains very busy answering calls for service. We have also continued to be pro-active in our approach to problems in the town. Our community policing program is an example of this. Officer Robert Campbell spends many hours on projects such as the Haunted House, softball and flag football games, and the D.A.R.E. program. He and many volunteers work very hard to give the youth of Chesterfield constructive activities at little expense to the town. An example of additional benefits of these programs is that in 1996 there were no reported incidents of vandalism or mischief on Halloween.

We continue to be pro-active in our motor vehicle enforcement on Route 9. 1996 is the first year that motor vehicle accidents were not the leading cause of injury in Chesterfield. While the number of accidents have remained constant over the years, the injuries have been declining. Accidents are going to happen on a road which hosts over 11,200 vehicles per day. It is our belief that if we can reduce the speed they are traveling, and otherwise enforce the rules of the road, so that when they do bump into each other, we can minimize injuries and save lives. I believe that our enforcement and presence has contributed to making Route 9 safer for your travel. We hope we will continue to receive your support in this endeavor.

In 1997, we hope to expand our fleet of three cruisers. We are now running primary patrol units that have over 100,000 miles. This makes the car more expensive to maintain, and is potentially unsafe for the officers. Additionally, we are constantly short of the vehicles needed to run the daily duties of the police department. In 1986, the Chesterfield Police Department had 2 full-time employees, handled 452 calls for service, wrote 721 summonses with 65 arrests, using 2 cruisers. In 1996,



we had 5 full-time employees, handled 1135 calls for service, wrote 1920 summonses, with 153 arrests; still with 2 cruisers.

In 1993 we installed a trunk mounted mobile video camera in our primary cruiser. This has proven to be valuable to resolving court issues, citizen complaints, and protect the town from malicious litigation. We hope to expand this to our second patrol unit this year.

I would like to encourage you to continue to look out for your neighbors and report anything suspicious, no matter how minor. We are your police department and strive to serve you in the best manner possible. I encourage you to stop into the department with any suggestions, complaints, or just to meet the officers.

#### Chesterfield Police Department Statistics

<u>Category</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
Accidents				
Total	72	61	64	64
Injury Accidents	17	23	24	8
# of injuries	30	43	45/29*	9
Summons Issued	721	1473	1986	1920
Warnings Issued	N/A	480	685	582
Vehicles per/day:Rte 9	8,500	10,663	11,013	11,236
Arrests	65	113	172	153
Assaults	8	11	26	19
Fraud	1	26	23	36
Thefts	33	44	52	44
Burglaries	21	18	13	5
Liquor Law Violations	3	20	13	27
Sexual Assaults	0	3	2	3
Animal Complaints	N/A	97	214	130
Total Calls for Service	452	779	1352	1135

\*29 total injuries without the 16 which occurred in the school bus accident.

HEALTH OFFICER  
CHESTERFIELD

This has been the third year as Health Officer and this year has been quiet compared to others. There have been fewer complaints offered and fewer septic systems to inspect.

We have worked with the Environmental Department in Concord concerning dead fish in Spofford Lake and different runoffs into the lake. Again we had a bout with swimmer's itch and the snail responsible for hosting the organism is *Physa ancillaria*. The swimmer's itch organism is not parasitic to humans and causes no human diseases. The rash will go away naturally in a few days and itching can be controlled by the same lotions used for mosquito bites and other itching rashes. To reduce this parasite in our lake the rule is **PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE DUCKS!**

I am looking forward to serving you again this year as Health Officer and please feel free to call if you have questions or problems.

Respectfully Submitted

Betty Ashworth CHO  
Chesterfield Health Officer

## CHESTERFIELD CEMETERY COMMISSION

### REPORT 1996

The addition of the Chesterfield West Cemetery during 1996 resulted in a total of 26 cemeteries within the Town. In addition to maintaining the cemeteries, the crew was also responsible for lawn maintenance at the Town Offices, Library and Spaulding property. Total man hours for maintaining the cemeteries was 3,049.75 at a cost of \$21,982.74, which includes the Chesterfield West Cemetery requiring a total man hour expenditure of 632 hours at a cost of \$4,524.35.

Twenty burials took place during 1996 resulting in revenue of \$3,679, with total cost recognized at \$2,529.13 for a profit of \$1,149.87.

This year, the commission revised the policies and procedures for the cemeteries. They are as follows:

1. Burial lots are available in the Morris Freidsam Cemetery on Route 63, Chesterfield, the Spofford Cemetery off High Street, Spofford and in the Chesterfield West Cemetery, Poor Road, West Chesterfield.

2. Single burial lots are \$175.00. All of these funds are placed in the Chesterfield Cemetery Trust Fund. Income from this fund is used for up keep of the cemeteries.

3. Lots may only be purchased by Chesterfield residents or those whose families have lived in Chesterfield.

4. A permanent grave marker is requested within one year of burial. Corner markers are encouraged. The sexton must be notified when a stone is to be set.

5. No structure other than the usual grave marker may be erected without permission of the cemetery commission.

6. Permanent plantings should be hardy, dwarf (3' maximum height and 6" circumference at maturity) evergreens. Plantings requiring pruning would result in an extra charge.

7. Annual plantings should be hardy and drought-resistant. These should be in pots or planter, enabling the maintenance crew to move for mowing. These must be removed in the Fall. Extraordinary displays that interfere with care of the gravesite are discouraged.

8. It is requested that no plastic or silk flowers be used from May 1 to November 1. The wire steams are dangerous when they contact a mower blade.

9. All winter decorations must be removed by May 1.
10. Cemetery gates will be open May 1 through November 1 from 9 AM to 7 PM, weather permitting.
11. Burials are arranged through the sexton. Winter burials are performed, weather permitting, at the discretion of the sexton. Special arrangements are available for cremation burials.
12. Flags to mark veterans' graves are arranged through the Chesterfield American Legion.

Any questions on policies or procedures should be directed to the Chesterfield Cemetery Commission or the Sexton. Both may be reached by contacting the Department of Public Works at (603) 256-6629.

At this time, the Cemetery Commission would like to thank the Cemetery Crew for the hard work and job well done for the year of 1996. We have received numerous telephone calls and letters from the public commenting about how well the cemeteries in the Town of Chesterfield are maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis E. Perham  
Chairman

# BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

1996

Permits for new homes issued in 1996 were down slightly compared to 1995 but the total number of permits issued was higher. Following is a breakdown of permits issued.

		1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
<u>RESIDENTIAL:</u>	New	14	17	19	16	21
	Additions	14	17	19	16	21
	Remodel	24	20	16	17	17
	Repair	5	0	10	8	9
	Siding	4	0	5		
<u>MANUFACTURED HOUSING:</u>	New	0	1	2	0	0
	Replacement	1	0	1	0	0
<u>COMMERCIAL:</u>	New	1	1	2	1	2
	Expansion	0	1	1	1	2
	Remodel	1	1	1	1	2
	Repair	1	0	0	1	0
<u>GARAGES &amp; ADDITIONS:</u>		8	6	12	9	5
<u>DECKS &amp; PORCHES:</u>		6	5	6	8	17
<u>SUNROOMS/GREENHOUSES:</u>		0	0	1	3	2
<u>STORAGE SHEDS:</u>		7	2	9	7	6
<u>SWIMMING POOLS:</u>		1	1	1	1	0
<u>BARNs &amp; ADDITIONS:</u>		2	1	3	3	8
<u>TOWN:</u>	New	1	1	2	0	1
	Remodel	0	1	1	0	0
<u>OTHER:</u>		0	3	10	12	11
		<u>93</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>121</u>

Respectfully submitted

Donald R. Ashworth  
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
1996

The Summer of 1996 has proven to be one of the best ever for the Parks and Recreation Department. The Youth Programs offered: Kids Klub, Cool Dudes Camp, and Swimming lessons were a great success. The beaches ran smoothly and work has begun on the old concession to convert it into a multipurpose room.

The success of the Summer Youth Programs were not only due to the planning, organizing, and implementation of the Director, staff, and Commission, but also the time and materials volunteered by members of the Community. Many thanks to the following staff members and volunteers for such a wonderful program: Krista Pawloski, Melissa Nichelson, Kelly Wehner, Sarah Holbrook, Rejean Guerriero, Michelle Davidson, Colin Zamore, Julia Slocum, Barbara Finn, Rob Campbell, Kathy Davidson, Wendy Chamberlin, Pat VanHoudt, Pat Martin, Ginny McManus, Laurie Blair, Pam Loney, Julie Venditti, Jennifer Nowill, Jamie Ricker, Trevor Macdonald, Jan Royer, Kathy Schlichting, Sandy Cormier, Kate Adams, Karen Cali, Kristie Burt, Becky Caswell, Lori Sartorio, Nikki Morse, Sue Plunske, Danielle Moore, Darin Bush, Jackie Kinyon, Pattianne Folta, Justin Valaske, Heidi Stanclift, Phil and Judy Hueber, Ken Gobbo, Kate Haines, Debbie and Steve Hardy, Paula Hudon, Dara Chickering, Denise Vanderpoel, Kathleen North, Tara North, Joe Pumilia, Peet Winter, John Martin, Sam Vaihinger, Ginny Adams, Kevin and Anna Carin Heaney, Ruth Vanhouten, and anyone we forgot to mention.

The Cool Dudes Camp was offered to children ages 5 & 6 while the Kids Klub Program was offered to children ages 7-12. Both programs included special events, arts & crafts, swimming and two field trips. This summer we had 180 children registered for the programs. On average 25-30 children attended the Cool Dudes Camp and 60-70 children attended the Kids Klub per day. The camp met every Tuesday and Thursday for eight weeks. Cool Dudes Camp started at 9:00 a.m. and ended at noon. The Kids Klub started at 9:00 a.m. and ended at 3:00 p.m.

Some of the favorite activities, arts & crafts, and special events included: Swimming, Capture the Flag, Red Light/Green Light, Tag Games, Tie Dye T-shirts, snow globes, The Little Red Wagon, Mini-Olympics, and the Whalom Park and Santa's Land trips.

In addition to the day camps, swimming lessons were offered. Wendy Chamberlin and Rejean Guerriero were the swimming instructors during the summer. Two sessions were offered and lasted for two weeks each, they began at 9:00 a.m. and ended at 11:00 a.m. The first started on June 26 and ended July 5, 56 children registered and on average 25 participated per day. The second session started on July 9 and ended on July 19, 54 registered and on average 20 participated per day.

This summer's beach staff did a great job also. The lifeguards worked well with each other and the public. Their presence was not only seen physically, but they were also heard politely enforcing the rules. All rescues were handled in a prompt and effective manner. The ticket and concession staff also acted in a professional manner. They were polite and kind to all patrons that visited the beach. Beach staff for the 1996 summer season included: Alex Benjamin, Karen Craig, Rejean Guerriero, Sarah Guerriero, Mike Huston, T.J. Kelly, Melissa Nichelson, Sarah Plotczyk, Alecia Cargill, Heather Chickering, Abby Newcomer, Kelly Robinson, Kelly Wehner, and Liz Tortolani.

The Parks and Recreation Commission, Director of Recreation, and staff have begun to clean out the old concession stand at Wares Grove with the intent of converting it into a multipurpose room, beach office, and storage room. This project will continue with the help of volunteers in the future.

The Parks and Recreation Commission offered a Junior High "Fun Night" during the year except for July and August. "Fun Night" is offered once a month for 7th and 8th graders, living in Chesterfield, at the Elementary School. Students have the opportunity to participate in sports, group activities, and



board games. A movie (rated PG) is offered as well. Parents whose children participate are encouraged to volunteer as chaperones. Many thanks to the 1996 chaperones: Karen Ring, Russ and Pam Bergeron, Brenda Doleszney, Betty and Jack Rancourt, Kathy Davidson, Karen Rydant, Gail Peach, Wendy Chamberlin, Betty Tyler, Kitty Hanrahan, Jeff Metivier, Muffy White, and anyone else we forgot to mention.

An effort to gather more input from the public was undertaken this summer as well. Parents and children involved in our programs were asked to fill out evaluations on program content, facilities, staff, and ideas for the future. Please fill out these, if you have not already done so, and return them to the Town Offices. Your suggestions will help us in our future planning of programs and facilities to be offered to the community. A brief needs survey has also been conducted. The response was low, but the commission will continue to evaluate the recreational need for the Town of Chesterfield.

In September, our Parks and Recreation Director, Jeff Metivier, resigned. The Commission recognizes the great job that Jeff has done and accepted his resignation with regret. A search for a new director will begin in the spring after town meeting.

At this time we would like to thank Jack Rancourt for his 24 years of service on the Commission. His time and efforts have certainly been appreciated by all.

Thanks again for a great summer. It was our pleasure to serve you.

Yours in Recreation,

Parks and Recreation Commission:  
Russ Bergeron  
Kathy Davidson

Wendy Chamberlin  
Jack Rancourt

## CHESTERFIELD LIBRARY REPORT - 1996

We welcomed more than 100 new library users during 1996, bringing the number of card holders to 1270. User visits to the library increased, as did our requests for interlibrary loan (ILL) service. We received 205 books from other libraries in the N.H. Automated Information System (NHAIS), and sent 178 books to other libraries. The NHAIS holdings have reached the one million mark and grow every day as more libraries become part of the system. The State Library operates a van service to move the ILL materials from one library to another. There are four routes throughout the state. Our van stop, at present, is the Keene Public Library; however, we have applied to have the van stop here due to our heavy use of ILL materials.

The Chesterfield Library Fund Raising Committee wound up its efforts in December 1996. The many generous responses from private and business sources, plus some grant and foundation money, have been added to the previously existing building fund. Donations will continue to be gratefully accepted at any time, and may be sent to the library & Chesterfield Library Fund Drive. Most sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the fund drive to date.

We appreciate the large number of books given to the library this past year. Many are quite new and have been great additions to the collection. Thank you to all who have donated them. What cannot be used at the library have been taken to the ongoing "Book Sale" at the Granite Bank.

Besides books and ILL services, the library offers a varied collection of magazines, a growing number of audio books, and many videos (most of which were kindly donated). Public use of the copier is still 15c copy/2 for 25c. Delivery of books to shut-ins is available on request.

A hearty "Thank you" to everyone who has volunteered in any way to help with library services and programs throughout the year.

# Report Of The Library's Activity In 1996:

## Circulation of Materials

Books: Fiction	Non-fiction	Total
Adult 3,226	1,014	4,240
Child 4,473	1,403	<u>5,876</u>
Total Books		9,463

Non-Book: Video	Tapes	Mag.
505	945	528
		<u>1,978</u>

Total Circulation	
of Materials	11,441
Interlibrary Loan: Rec'd	205
Sent	178
In-Library Use of Materials	681
Reference questions answered	596
Directional questions ans.	265
Total library patronage	6,186
Registered patrons	1,270
Days open 201 Hours	1293
Programs held 23 Attendance	555

## Books and Materials

Added Bks:	Total
Adult	654
Child	<u>408</u>
Total	1064

Withdrawn:Adult	Child
-220	- 56
-296	

Total Books Held	17,895
Non-Book: Videos	94
Cassettes	426
Library Holdings	18,415
Magazine Titles	50
Issues	1,549
Copier of public use:	
15 c copy, 2/25c	
Hours Open Mon.	10 - 4
Tues.	1 - 8
Thurs.	10 - 8
Sat.	9 - 1

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Anderson, Librarian

**CHESTERFIELD LIBRARY  
FINANCIAL REPORT 1996**

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1996	\$ 2,921.68
Town Appropriation	43,925.00
Trust Funds	1,850.48
Copier Revenue	280.00
Lost Books	15.00
Book Sales	195.00
Donations	50.00
Friends of Library	56.00
H. W. Wilson- Refund Check	115.00
Childrens Libraries	4.00
Town of Chesterfield-Adj. Pre-paid fuel	523.74
Interest - Check Account	77.48
Service Charge	<u>&lt;148.43&gt;</u>

\$ 49,864.95

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$ 23,551.02
FICA	1,801.72
Mileage	190.84
Books	6,912.29
Reference Books	1,735.72
Magazines	241.94
Utilities	2,006.48
Fuel	609.46
Health Insurance	1,200.00
Insurance	922.00
Supplies	898.74
Postage	77.00
Equipment Maintenance	253.17
Building Maintenance	462.01
Dues	192.00
Reading Program	13.86
H.W. Wilson- over payment	115.00
Reimb. to Town Approp.	<u>3050.00</u>
	44,233.25

Balance on Hand Dec. 31st 1996	5,631.79
Correction	<u>.09</u>

\$49,864.95

# CHESTERFIELD LIBRARY BUILDING FUND

## RECEIPTS

Balance Jan. 1, 1996	\$ 429.63
Library Suppers - Three	1,861.02
Library Donation Jar	220.00
Interest Earned 1996	<u>31.34</u>

Balance December 31, 1996	\$ 2,541.99
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Savings Account - Dec. 1996	\$ 471.02
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Certificate of Deposits	
CFX Matures Dec. 1997	\$ 54,959.75
Granite Bank Matures April 1997	\$ 25,552.09

## CHESTERFIELD LIBRARY BUILDING FUND COMMITTEE

This report covers the period from 9/1/95 through 1/13/97 at which time the committee disbanded.

Paid Pledges and Donations	\$102,683.48
Interest Received	\$ 2,169.21
Total Receipts	\$104,852.69
Total Expenses	\$ 39,716.25
Balance	\$ 65,136.44

Savings Account Balance	\$ 13,981.34
CD Maturing on 1/23/97	\$ 10,000.00
CD Maturing on 3/20/97	\$ 10,000.00
CD Maturing on 4/11/97	\$ 10,000.00
CD Maturing on 4/30/97	\$ 10,577.55
CD Maturing on 6/12/97	\$ 10,577.55
Total	\$ 65,136.44

Outstanding Pledges	\$ 9,607.00
Pending Matching fund Gift	\$ 1,000.00
Pending Sale of 300 shares of stock	\$ 6,300.00*

\*estimated value of donation

HOME HEALTH CARE, HOSPICE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.  
REPORT TO THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
JANUARY 1, 1996 TO DECEMBER 31, 1996

ANNUAL REPORT

In 1996, Home Health Care, Hospice and Community Services (HCS) continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Chesterfield. The following information represents a projection of HCS's activities in your community in 1996. The projection is based on actual services provided from January to September 1996 and an estimate of usage during October, November and December.

SERVICE REPORT

<u>SERVICES OFFERED</u>	<u>SERVICES PROVIDED</u>	<u>SERVICES SUPPORTED PARTIALLY OR TOTALLY BY THE TOWN</u>
Nursing	596 Visits	20 Visits
Continuous Care Nursing	296 Hours	0 Hours
Child Health Nursing	1 Visit	1 Visit
Physical Therapy	119 Visits	0 Visits
Speech Pathology	0 Visits	0 Visits
Occupational Therapy	4 Visits	0 Visits
Medical Social Worker	5 Visits	0 Visits
Homemaker Hours	627 Hours	627 Hours
Home Health Aide	404 Visits	33 Visits
Outreach	1 Visits	0 Visits
Nutritionist	1 Visits	1 Visits
Meals-On-Wheels	1,609 Meals	1,609 Meals
Health Promotion Clinics	9 Clinics	9 Clinics
Adult In-Home Care	360 Hours	0 Hours

Total Unduplicated Residents Served: 85

Regularly scheduled wellness clinics, child health clinics, prenatal and hospice care are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The actual cost of all services provided in 1996 with all funding sources is projected to be \$117,949.00.

The total cost of services provided for a partial fee, or at no charge to residents in Chesterfield is projected to be \$6,097.87 for home care and \$975.00 for meals-on-wheels.

For 1997, we recommend a total appropriation of \$7,385.00; \$6,500.00 to continue home care at the current level and \$885.00 for the Meals-On-Wheels program.

Thank you for your consideration.

YOUTH SERVICES  
REPORT TO THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

Youth Services is a community based, non-profit agency, serving children and families in Windham County and nearby New Hampshire since 1972. Our purpose is to promote the healthy development of young people. Our mission is to provide services and programs that help our young people, families and communities work successfully together.

We believe in helping children within the context of their family and their world, and in empowering families to solve their own problems, to grow individually and together, and to have new skills to face the future.

We provide services at our office at 11 Walnut Street in Brattleboro, in area schools, and through specific programs in people's homes. Youth Services takes pride in its commitment and ability to provide services regardless of one's ability to pay.

In fiscal year '96 Youth Services served a total of 2,014 children, youth and family members through our eight currently existing programs. Programs include: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counseling, Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program, Family Counseling, Home-Based Program, Juvenile and Adult Court Diversion Program, Prevention Programs, Runaway Program, and Youth Partnership Programs.

We encourage the accessing of our services by residents of Chesterfield and hope that needs and concerns will be brought to our attention as they arise. In addition, we would like to express our gratitude on the behalf of the recipients of our services to the volunteers from Chesterfield who help our agency function and to the town itself for its ongoing support of our work.

We request \$140 from the Town of Chesterfield for the upcoming year to help to support Youth Services continued efforts as a resource for area children, youth and families.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Livermore  
Executive Director



**WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**  
**1996**

The local Welfare Director's hours in the Town Office building have changed :

Mondays	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Wednesdays	2:00 - 4:00 pm
Fridays	2:00 - 4:00 pm

A dramatic decrease in the amount of assistance provided during 1996 is attributable in part to a decrease in the number of new cases, and in part to the many non-profit agencies, both locally and regionally which help to serve the immediate needs of those who have fallen on difficult times. This decrease is in no way indicative of what 1997 may bring, as the future is always the great unknown. The assistance provided through local general assistance is provided within the guidelines established by the New Hampshire Welfare Administrator's Guide and the laws of the State of New Hampshire. Quite basically, "whenever a person in any town is poor and unable to support himself" general assistance from the town is administered.

Recently, area Welfare Directors met with Monadnock Partnerships to discuss the possibility of developing a regional data base for available services. In a nutshell, once established, the data base would provide individual Welfare Directors with up to date information on any other agency services which a given client may be eligible for. This is in the planning stages as yet and may not come to fruition in 1997, but it could prove to be an invaluable resource in the future.

Once again, I urge everyone to please respect the confidentiality of welfare applicants and please avoid entering the back door of the Town Offices building during the hours listed above. It can be very difficult and humiliating to be in a position of having to ask for assistance, and extremely disconcerting to be interrupted during the process, so your consideration is much appreciated.

Evelyn Nadeau  
Welfare Director

CHESTERFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT  
REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
1996

OVERVIEW

This year the Fire Department took delivery of a 1996 E-One Pumper on a Ford chassis, it replaces a 1963 International Pumper in the West Station. We have also continued to add equipment to our rescue truck and our other pumpers.

While this year has been one of progress and building (i.e. new equipment and members) there is one sad note, one of the most distinguished members of this department resigned due to an injury sustained in an automobile accident. Merrill Yeaw served with distinction for 30 years. His expertise and invaluable assistance will be truly missed by all. Thank you Merrill and God bless you.

The following members were recognized for service:

Merrill Yeaw	30 years
Richard "Rick" Gauthier	25 years
Merritt "Doc" Brown	15 years

Thank you all.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Steven "Bart" Bevis  
Chief  
Chesterfield Fire /Rescue

# 1996 FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

## FIRE

Alarm Sounding	5
Brush/Grass	3
Chimney	2
Dryer	0
Dumpster	0
Electrical	0
False Alarm	0
Fatality	0
Furnace	0
Partition	0
Propane	1
Smoke Investigation	2
Stove	1
Structure	2
Vehicle	5
Other	7

Sub-Totals 28

## HAZMAT

Chemical Spill	0
Fuel Spill	0
Gas Explosion	0
Other	0

Sub-Totals 0

## MUTUAL AID

Cover Truck	21
Structure	0
Other	2

Sub-Totals 23

## MISCELLANEOUS

Power Outage	9
Public Assist	1
Service Call	6
Severe Weather	1
Sprinkler	0
Vermont Yankee Alert	0

Sub-Totals 17

## RESCUE

Abdominal Pains	0
Assault	2
Bee Stings	0
Bleeding	0
Cardiac	6
Choking	0
Diabetic	0
Difficulty Breathing	0
Dog Bite	1
Extrication	0
Fall	0
Fatality	0
Head Injury	0
Ill Subject	3
Lacerations	0
Motorcycle Accident	0
Overdose	1
Rescue (other medical)	31
Seizures	2
Stroke	0
Suicide	0
Suicide Attempt	0

Vehicle Accident	13
Water/Boating	0
Other (med. mutual aid)	3

Sub-Totals 62

TOTALS 130

MINUTES OF THE 1996 ANNUAL MEETING

SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT

Moderator James Milani called the meeting to order at 7:35pm. There were 15 people in attendance at the Spofford Village Hall.

Upon dispensing with the reading of the warrant, atricles were taken up individually.

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator for the ensuing year. On a motion made by Micheal Wigin and seconded by Ronald Guyette one ballot was cast for James Milani.

ARTICLE 2: To choose a clerk/treasurer for the ensuing year. Motion was made by Stephen Buckley and seconded by Wayne Guyette to reelect Catherine Schlichting. Vote was affimative.

ARTICLE 3: To choose a commissioner for three years; 1996-97-98. Ronald Guyette made the motion to elect Stephen Buckley to anothe term. Second was by Wayne Guyette. Vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to accept the budget or act thereon: Budget total is \$61,850.00. Wayne Guyette made the motion to pass the budget as read. Kevin Greenwood was the second. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will vote to accept any purchases made by the Department during the past year. Wayne Guyette made a motion to take up Articles 5, 6, and 7 together. Ronald Guyette seconded the motion. Vote was affirmative. Articles 5, 6, and 7 were all passed as read.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Commissioners to dispense with any goods as they see fit. Passed with Article 5.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Commissioners to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to meet current expenses. Passed with article 5.

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. On a motion by Ronald Guyette and seconded by Benny Schlichting the meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm.

Moderator James Milani declared the meeting closed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine H . Schlichting  
clerk/treasurer

**BUDGET REPORT FOR THE SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT**  
**FOR THE YEAR 1996**

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SPENT</u>	<u>REMAINING</u>
Heating Oil	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,352.00	\$ 148.00
Phone and Lights	2,500.00	1,890.57	609.43
Worker's Comp	575.00	675.00	(100.00)
Fire & Liability Insurance	10,000.00	8,254.00	1,746.00
Janitorial Expenses	125.00	128.00	( 3.46)
Treasurer's Expenses	150.00	131.17	18.83
Rescue Supplies	650.00	487.10	162.90
Gas and Diesel Fuel	450.00	292.62	157.38
Equipment Repairs/Maintenance	2,500.00	2,563.77	(63.77)
Radio Repairs	1,500.00	1,560.53	(60.53)
Building Repairs/Maintenance	5,000.00	5,548.48	(548.48)
Training and Dues	1,500.00	1,313.50	186.50
Payroll	12,450.00	12,398.82	51.18
State Reporting	100.00	100.00	0.00
Small Equipment	2,000.00	1,988.67	11.33
Hepatitis B follow-up	500.00	18.00	482.00
Heavy Equipment Cap. Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Breathing Apparatus Upgrade	3,300.00	3,300.00	0.00
Defib Service Contract	800.00	864.00	(64.00)
Fire Prevention Program	250.00	0.00	250.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$61,850.00</b>	<b>\$58,866.69</b>	<b>\$ 2,983.31</b>

Non-lapsing funds:

Cupola/roof repair	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Smoke Alarm	1,350.00	1,350.00	0.00
Van repairs	4,681.47	0.00	4,681.47

<b>\$69,381.47</b>	<b>\$61,716.69</b>	<b>\$ 7,664.78</b>
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**TOTAL**

\$61,716.69	spent
<u>7,664.84</u>	remaining
\$69,381.47	appropriated

SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1996

Cash on hand 1/1/96 \$10,169.51

REVENUES:

Interest on NOW account	242.59
Brush fire-Chesterfield	80.00
Hall rental	40.00
Insurance claim-oil spill	1,756.00
State of NH	268.48
IRS refund	584.72
Tax revenues	<u>57,187.00</u>

TOTAL \$60,158.79

\$70,328.30

EXPENSES:

Heating oil	\$2,352.00
Lights and phone	1,890.57
Worker's comp	675.00
Fire & liability insurance	8,254.00
Janitorial expenses	128.46
Treasurer's expenses	131.17
Rescue supplies	487.10
Gas and diesel fuel	292.62
Equipment repairs/maintenance	2,563.77
Radio repairs	1,560.53
Building repairs/maintenance	5,548.48
Training and dues	1,313.50
Payroll and other related expenses	12,398.82
State reporting	100.00
Small equipment	1,988.67
Hepatitis B innoculations	18.00
Fire equipment capital reserve	15,000.00
Breathing apparatus upgrade	3,300.00
Defib Service Contract	864.00
Fire Prevention Program	0.00

Non-lapsing Funds- cupola	1,500.00
Alarm	<u>1,350.00</u>

TOTAL \$61,716.69

Cash on hand 1/1/97 \$ 8,611.16

Nonlapsing funds:

Van 4,681.47

Cash on hand to offset tax revenues \$ 3,930.14

Cash on hand 1/1/96	\$10,169.51	Cash on hand 1/1/97	\$ 8,611.61
Total revenues	<u>60,158.79</u>	Total Expenses	<u>61,716.69</u>
	\$70,328.30		\$70,328.30

This is to certify that this information was taken from official records and is complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully,  
Catherine H. Schlichting clerk/treasurer

## SPOFFORD FIRE COMMISSIONERS REPORT 1996

1996 brought the usual amount of activity for the fire department. We had 80 rescue calls and 35 fire calls that resulted in 800 manhours of service by the members. In addition, many hours of training were completed by the 18 active members in the department. Several members were recertified as First Responder Rescue Personnel and all current EMT's were recertified. We had 2 members become certified Level 1 firefighters and the current Fire Captain became Career Level Certified. In addition, the Deputy Chief attended the National Fire Training Academy in Emmitsburg Maryland.

Our newest pumper/tanker has served the area well, responding to several fires in the immediate area. It was also called on for special duty at large fires in N. Walpole and Charlestown N.H. because of its water carrying and quick discharge capability. And most members were very tired after the recent early December blizzards. 10 calls in a 24 hour period is a record for the department.

The commissioners were successful in having the entire fire station/village hall exterior painted and all roof repairs completed in 1996. In 1997, building maintenance items will include repair and/or replacement of some windows and doors, concrete ramp replacement, and a start on installing an exhaust system in the apparatus bay as required by current regulations.

The commissioners have included a warrant article this year for replacement of the rescue vehicle. The current vehicle, purchased in 1978, has been the most heavily used unit in town and it shows. There are several mechanical concerns and substantial funds would be required to make necessary repairs. In addition, the rescue requirements have changed over the years and the new unit will address these issues. Complete plans and specifications will be available prior to the Precinct meeting. The unit should give us many years of service.

The commissioners and fire chief continue to be very concerned about the lack of reliable water sources throughout the precinct and access around the lake. Water sources in outlying areas need to be developed and a plan for obtaining a "rescue/fire boat" needs to be completed. Donations or ideas on obtaining these items will be greatly appreciated.

Volunteers willing to join the Fire Department are always welcome. There are large time commitments and training required but the rewards are many.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Commissioners of the Spofford Fire Precinct  
Steve Buckley, Chairman  
Chet Greenwood  
Mike Wiggan



**WARRANT FOR THE SPOFFORD FIRE DISTRICT**  
**FOR THE YEAR 1996**

To the inhabitants of the Spofford Fire District qualified to vote on the affairs of the District:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Spofford Village Hall on Tuesday, March 18, 1997 at 7:30 pm to vote on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To choose a clerk/treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3: To choose a Commissioner for three years; 1997-1998-1999.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) to purchase a new 1997 Fire/Rescue vehicle and associated equipment, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$23,500.00 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Fire District Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$32,000.00 from the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund; additionally, to authorize the Commissioners to use the remaining funds still available from the previous fire truck sale (approximately \$4,500.00); with the balance of \$15,000.00 to be raised by general taxation. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required for passage.)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will authorize the Commissioners to sell the 1978 Rescue Van to the highest bidder after all the useable equipment has been removed, and after the new truck is received. Proceeds from said sale to be used to reduce the amount of the bonds or notes required to complete the purchase of the new 1997 vehicle. The Commissioners recommend this article. The Budget Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the District will vote to accept the budget or act thereon:

heating oil	\$ 2,500.00
phone and lights	2,100.00
worker's comp	675.00
fire and liability insurance	10,000.00
janitorial expenses	100.00
treasurer's expenses	700.00
rescue supplies	600.00
gas and diesel fuel	350.00
equipment repairs/maintenance	2,500.00
radio repairs	1,500.00
building repairs/maintenance	5,000.00
training and dues	1,500.00
payroll and other expenses	12,450.00
small equipment	1,500.00
hepatitis B innocations	1,300.00
heavy equipment capital reserve	15,000.00
breathing apparatus upgrade	4,400.00
defib service contract	870.00
<u>fire prevention program</u>	<u>250.00</u>
TOTAL	\$62,895.00

ARTICLE 7: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Commissioners to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to meet current costs.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the District will authorize the Commissioners to accept any purchases made by the Department during the past year.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Commissioners to dispense with any goods as they see fit.

ARTICLE 10: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

COMMISSIONERS:

STEPHEN BUCKLEY

CHESTER GREENWOOD

MICHAEL WIGGIN

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS**

MODERATOR  
Gary Winn

CLERK  
Diana S. Allen

TREASURER  
Elizabeth Hinckley

### **MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD**

	Term Expires
Phillip J. Natowich, Chair	1998
Cathryn A. Harvey	1997
Fred S. Rowley	1998
Susan T. Sciuto	1999
Kathryn T. Thatcher	1999

TRUANT OFFICER  
Lester Fairbanks

### **N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION**

Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools  
Paul L. Bartolomucci, Assistant Superintendent for Keene  
Richard M. Pike, Assistant Superintendent for Towns  
Deane B. Haskell, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Patricia Trow Parent, Manager of Personnel Services  
Bruce Thielen, Director of Special Education

PRINCIPAL  
Martin F. Mahoney

SCHOOL NURSE  
Lorraine Johnson

SCHOOL DOCTOR  
George Idlekope, M.D.

## **COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

This school district receives federal financial assistance. In order to continue receiving such federal financial assistance, this school district will not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age, or handicapping condition, under the provisions of Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Complaints regarding compliance with Title IX regulations should be submitted in writing to the Title IX liaison for School Administrative Unit 29, the Personnel Manager, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Education, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

*Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D.*  
*Superintendent of Schools*

# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Chesterfield qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chesterfield Elementary School in said District on the 8th day of March, 1997, at 10:00 in the forenoon to bring in your votes for the election of school district officers. The polls will open not later than 10:00 a.m., nor close earlier than the termination time of the District Meeting (as a minimum, 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.).

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary school district officers:

A member of the school board for the ensuing three years

A moderator for the ensuing year

A clerk for the ensuing year

A treasurer for the ensuing year from July 1, 1997

Given under our hands at said Chesterfield, this 3rd day of February, 1997.

*Phillip J. Natowich, Chair  
Cathryn A. Harvey  
Fred S. Rowley  
Susan T. Sciuto  
Kathryn T. Thatcher*

## **STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Chesterfield qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chesterfield Elementary School in said District on the 8th day of March, 1997, at 1:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles:

- ARTICLE 1: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Chesterfield School Board supports the sum of Four Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Fifteen (\$4,730,115) Dollars. The Chesterfield Budget Committee recommends the sum of Four Million Six Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Five (\$4,696,265) Dollars.)*
- ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will vote to accept and be bound by the financial provisions of a three-year collective bargaining agreement between the Chesterfield Education Association and the Chesterfield School Board, which provides for lengthening the work year for teachers from the current 187 days to 188 days in 1997-1998, 189 days in 1998-1999, and 190 days in 1999-2000; and average salary increases of 3 percent (approximately \$36,414.00) in year one, 3.5 percent (approximately \$43,760.00) in year two, and 3.5 percent (approximately \$45,288.00) in year three, and to raise and appropriate the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand, Twenty-One (\$35,021.00) Dollars to fund the costs for the 1997-1998 school year, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Chesterfield School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article. This article is not recommended by the Chesterfield Budget Committee.)*
- ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will appropriate and authorize the school board to transfer up to Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars of its unencumbered funds, if any, remaining on hand at the end of fiscal year, June 30, 1997, to the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters at the March 5, 1994 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Chesterfield School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article. This article is not recommended by the Chesterfield Budget Committee.)*
- ARTICLE 5: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chesterfield, this 18th day of February, 1997.

Phillip J. Natowich, Chair  
Cathryn A. Harvey  
Fred S. Rowley  
Susan T. Sciuto  
Kathryn T. Thatcher



**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING  
PROPOSED 1997/98 BUDGET**

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1997-98
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COM.
REGULAR INSTRUCTION				
Salaries	\$911,717	\$1,023,978	\$1,035,992	\$1,035,992
Substitute Salaries	\$11,621	\$14,000	\$17,000	\$17,000
Fringe Benefits	\$244,864	\$264,838	\$271,507	\$271,507
Repairs to Equipment	\$1,687	\$750	\$750	\$750
High School Tuition	\$778,075	\$1,003,800	\$1,076,430	\$1,042,580
Supplies	\$33,257	\$30,000	\$32,000	\$32,000
Workbooks/Manipulatives	\$4,745	\$6,467	\$7,973	\$7,973
Textbooks	\$18,314	\$19,500	\$19,500	\$19,500
Periodicals	\$4,685	\$7,228	\$8,875	\$8,875
Equipment	\$14,214	\$23,469	\$18,625	\$18,625
Furniture	\$4,508	\$6,827	\$8,921	\$8,921
Computer Software	\$4,302	\$3,789	\$7,228	\$7,228
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$2,031,989	\$2,404,646	\$2,504,801	\$2,470,951
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION				
Salaries	\$219,135	\$281,570	\$279,010	\$279,010
Fringe Benefits	\$55,792	\$94,758	\$98,368	\$98,368
OT/PT/Vision Services	\$11,054	\$15,800	\$15,857	\$15,857
Tuition**	\$243,005	\$232,783	\$237,471	\$237,471
Supplies	\$783	\$435	\$2,080	\$2,080
Workbooks/Manipulatives	\$84	\$200	\$242	\$242
Textbooks/Periodicals	\$921	\$710	\$933	\$933
Equipment	\$2,413	\$4,240	\$2,168	\$2,168
Furniture	\$581	\$500	\$500	\$500
Software	\$52	\$0	\$225	\$225
TOTAL SPECIAL INSTRUCTION	\$533,820	\$630,996	\$636,854	\$636,854

\*\* 1997-98 Proposed Tuition Budget includes 23 high school-age Special Instruction students - the \$193,189 cost for whom would be \$155,710 if based on the Regular Instruction Keene High School tuition rate. The net result to Chesterfield taxpayers is an increase of \$37,479 due to these students special needs over the standard cost of educating any Chesterfield high school-age student.

			1997-98	1997-98
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	1995-96	1996-97	PROPOSED BY	PROPOSED BY
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	SCHOOL BOARD	BUDGET COM.
STUDENT ACTIVITIES				
Salaries	\$7,700	\$7,700	\$7,900	\$7,900
Fringe Benefits	\$790	\$910	\$912	\$912
Assemblies/Officials	\$2,440	\$2,440	\$2,440	\$2,440
Ballfield Maintenance	\$1,237	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Student Fees/Special Programs	\$0	\$4,840	\$5,350	\$5,350
Supplies	\$1,571	\$1,300	\$1,400	\$1,400
Awards	\$506	\$600	\$600	\$600
Equipment	\$906	\$900	\$1,100	\$1,100
Dues	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
TOTAL STUDENT ACTIVITIES	\$15,250	\$20,790	\$21,802	\$21,802
TOTAL ATTENDANCE SERVICES	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$1
GUIDANCE SERVICES				
Salary	\$40,793	\$42,723	\$42,723	\$42,723
Fringe Benefits	\$7,766	\$7,991	\$12,784	\$12,784
Testing/Evaluations	\$8,029	\$6,875	\$9,023	\$9,023
Supplies	\$331	\$400	\$400	\$400
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES	\$56,919	\$57,989	\$64,930	\$64,930
HEALTH SERVICES				
Salary	\$30,901	\$31,780	\$35,311	\$35,311
Fringe Benefits	\$9,075	\$9,045	\$10,040	\$10,040
Physician Services	\$1,700	\$1,785	\$1,874	\$1,874
Equipment	\$674	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies	\$1,048	\$1,882	\$2,018	\$2,018
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$43,298	\$44,492	\$49,243	\$49,243

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1997-98
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COM.
<b>PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES</b>				
Salary	\$25,430	\$35,004	\$35,004	\$35,004
Fringe Benefits	\$2,147	\$11,099	\$6,837	\$6,837
Psychological Counseling	\$15,395	\$14,580	\$27,540	\$27,540
Supplies	\$991	\$930	\$860	\$860
Equipment & Furniture	\$242	\$674	\$1,699	\$1,699
Software	\$55	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES</b>	<b>\$44,260</b>	<b>\$62,287</b>	<b>\$71,940</b>	<b>\$71,940</b>
<b>SPEECH &amp; LANGUAGE SERVICES</b>				
	\$1,439	\$900	\$466	\$466
<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b>				
Continuum Salaries	\$5,628	\$5,494	\$6,800	\$6,800
Continuum Benefits	\$466	\$712	\$717	\$717
Curriculum/Staff Development	\$10,224	\$11,850	\$11,050	\$11,050
Conference & Workshops	\$3,075	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,250
Professional Materials/Books	\$425	\$750	\$750	\$750
<b>TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>\$19,818</b>	<b>\$20,056</b>	<b>\$20,567</b>	<b>\$20,567</b>
<b>LIBRARY SERVICES</b>				
Media Generalist Salary	\$35,252	\$36,011	\$36,011	\$36,011
Library Aide Salary	\$0	\$0	\$5,480	\$5,480
Fringe Benefits	\$11,328	\$11,220	\$10,651	\$10,651
Media Services/Repairs	\$4,039	\$5,355	\$7,923	\$7,923
Supplies	\$3,410	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
Library Books	\$4,826	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Reference Books	\$3,034	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Periodicals	\$848	\$900	\$930	\$930
New Equipment/Furniture	\$2,289	\$2,249	\$2,938	\$2,938
Software	\$5,137	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
Professional Dues	\$0	\$115	\$115	\$115
<b>TOTAL LIBRARY SERVICES</b>	<b>\$70,163</b>	<b>\$68,750</b>	<b>\$77,948</b>	<b>\$77,948</b>
<b>TOTAL STAFF SPED SUPPORT</b>				
Sped Program Consultation	\$2,100	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$6,000
<b>TOTAL STAFF SPED SUPPORT</b>	<b>\$2,100</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1997-98
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COM.
SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES				
Salaries	\$3,448	\$3,850	\$4,700	\$4,700
Fringe Benefits	\$256	\$403	\$469	\$469
Legal/Audit Services	\$8,303	\$12,600	\$14,650	\$14,650
Board Liability Insurance	\$1,568	\$1,660	\$1,810	\$1,810
Supplies/Expenses	\$2,081	\$1,750	\$2,350	\$2,350
NHSBA Dues	\$2,476	\$2,500	\$2,550	\$2,550
TOTAL BOARD SERVICES	\$18,132	\$22,763	\$26,529	\$26,529
TOTAL SAU #29 SERVICES	\$251,600	\$262,036	\$264,227	\$264,227
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION				
Salaries	\$92,797	\$92,758	\$109,304	\$109,304
Fringe Benefits	\$13,827	\$19,385	\$21,316	\$21,316
Training	\$209	\$500	\$500	\$500
Repair Equipment	\$6,665	\$7,000	\$5,500	\$5,500
Telephone/Postage/Printing	\$8,822	\$8,850	\$13,600	\$13,600
Travel Reimbursement	\$1,256	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Supplies	\$2,487	\$2,550	\$2,800	\$2,800
New Equipment & Furniture	\$5,113	\$3,363	\$5,360	\$5,360
Dues	\$971	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$132,147	\$136,406	\$160,380	\$160,380
SCHOOL MAINTENANCE				
Salaries	\$66,941	\$70,273	\$73,225	\$73,225
Fringe Benefits	\$22,684	\$24,338	\$23,389	\$23,389
Maintenance Services	\$27,779	\$25,195	\$23,780	\$23,780
Insurance	\$10,616	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000
Supplies	\$9,196	\$10,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
Repairs To Building	\$56,830	\$15,750	\$36,850	\$36,850
Electricity	\$28,202	\$29,540	\$31,304	\$31,304
Heat	\$13,190	\$16,500	\$16,500	\$16,500
Equipment	\$4,333	\$1,600	\$250	\$250
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	\$239,771	\$204,196	\$228,298	\$228,298

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1997-98
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD	PROPOSED BY BUDGET COM.
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
Regular	\$168,138	\$202,737	\$207,956	\$207,956
Special Needs	\$21,679	\$17,408	\$17,610	\$17,610
TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$189,817	\$220,145	\$225,566	\$225,566
MANAGEMENT SERVICES				
Accrued Liability	\$104	\$0	\$0	\$0
Unemployment Compensation	\$396	\$0	\$0	\$0
Staff Physicals	\$246	\$2,125	\$500	\$500
TOTAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$682	\$2,125	\$500	\$500
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
Improvement - Grounds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Improvement-Building/Portable	\$45,761	\$22,801	\$0	\$0
TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$45,761	\$22,801	\$0	\$0
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal	\$215,000	\$230,000	\$250,000	\$250,000
Interest	\$41,811	\$26,233	\$9,063	\$9,063
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$256,811	\$256,233	\$259,063	\$259,063
TRANSFERS				
Federal Projects	\$0	\$11,920	\$40,000	\$40,000
School Lunch	\$5,223	\$68,823	\$71,000	\$71,000
TOTAL TRANSFERS	\$5,223	\$80,743	\$111,000	\$111,000
Transfer to Capital Reserve	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
DEFICIT APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTALS	\$3,964,000	\$4,522,855	\$4,730,115	\$4,696,265

**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ESTIMATED REVENUES**

REVENUE ACCOUNTS	1995/96 ACTUAL	1996/97 BUDGET	1997/98 PROPOSED BY SCHOOL BOARD	1997/98 PROPOSED BY BUDGET COM.
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$74,080	\$30,874	\$17,952	\$42,952
Amt. Raised by Taxes	\$3,769,290	\$4,269,940	\$4,477,729	\$4,418,879
Interest	\$8,033	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Lunch - Local Sales	\$0	\$44,723	\$46,500	\$46,500
Other Local	\$12,350	\$3,460	\$3,460	\$3,460
N.H. Building Aid	\$87,663	\$100,170	\$110,386	\$110,386
N.H. Handicapped Aid	\$8,689	\$6,588	\$6,588	\$6,588
Lunch - State	\$0	\$1,800	\$2,000	\$2,000
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$2,516	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Federal Projects	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Lunch - Federal	\$0	\$17,300	\$17,500	\$17,500
Transfer from Building Addition	\$14,783	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer from Capital Reserve	\$17,470	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$3,994,874</b>	<b>\$4,522,855</b>	<b>\$4,730,115</b>	<b>\$4,696,265</b>
		3.83%		Budget increase
		3.49%		Tax Increase
		\$0.63		Tax Rate Increase
		\$63		Tax Increase on \$100,000 house

\* Assumes \$25,000 Capital Reserve warrant article funded from Unreserved Fund Balance does not pass.  
(per Budget Committee recommendation)



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## *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION*

To the Members of the School Board  
Chesterfield School District  
Chesterfield, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Chesterfield School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Chesterfield School District has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

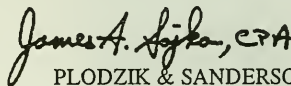
In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Chesterfield School District, as of June 30, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Chesterfield School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Chesterfield School District  
Independent Auditor's Report on Financial Presentation*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated November 4, 1996 on our consideration of the Chesterfield School District's internal control structure and a report dated November 4, 1996 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

November 4, 1996

  
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REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER  
for the  
Fiscal Year July 1, 19 95 to June 30, 19 96  
Return Original to State Department of Education Prior to July 15.

## SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 19 <u>95</u> (Treasurer's bank balance) .....	\$ 185,764.49
Received from Selectmen (Include only amounts actually received) .....	
Current Appropriation .....	<u>3,769,290.00</u>
Deficit Appropriation .....	
Balance of Previous Appropriations .....	
Advance on Next Year's Appropriation .....	
Revenue from State Sources .....	<u>96,356.12</u>
Revenue from Federal Sources .....	<u>56,571.74</u>
Received from Tuitions .....	<u>4,926.00</u>
Received as income from Trust Funds .....	<u>117.57</u>
Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds (Principal only) .....	
Received from Capital Reserve Funds .....	<u>17,470.00</u>
Received from all Other Sources .....	<u>88,868.59</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	<u>\$ 4,033,600.02</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance and Receipts) .....	<u>4,219,364.51</u>
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID .....	<u>4,164,091.37</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 19 <u>96</u> (Treasurer's Bank Balance) .....	<u>\$ 55,273.14</u>

October 17, 19 96

Sharon Chickering  
District Treasurer

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of \_\_\_\_\_ of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 19 \_\_\_\_, and find them correct in all respects.

\_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_

Auditors \_\_\_\_\_

GIVE DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS ON OTHER SIDE  
(105)

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# DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

	DATE	FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
1		State Of NH	Building Aid	83,912.10
2		State Of NH	Castrosphic Aid	8,689.52
3		State Of NH	Medicaid	3,754.50
4		StateOf NH	Food Service Reimb	21,119.00
5		State Of NH	Trust Fund	117.57
6		State Of NH	Federal Projects	37,633.23
7		Compensation funds of NH	Workers Comp Ins Rebate	4,322.88
8		Chesterfield School	Bldg Add CLOseout	1,080.23
9		Various	Miscellaneous	62,346.48
10		Town Of Chest	Appropriation	3,769.290
11		Town Of Chest	Trustees- Bldg Aid	17,470.00
12		IRS	Refund Payroll Tax	18,938.51
13		Westmoreland School	Tuition	4,926.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING YEAR (106)				4,033,600.02

**CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**  
**March 9, 1996**

School District Moderator Gary Winn opened the polls at 10:00 a.m. for voting. The following persons were appointed as ballot clerks and took the oath of office from Diana Allen, School District Clerk: Lynne Borofsky, Marcia Esche, Darlene Dunn, Craig Hood, Cynthia Walsh, Frances Walsh, Caroline Wiggin, Robert Yacubian.

At 7:15 p.m., the moderator called the meeting to order for the purpose of acting on the articles in the warrant. The moderator introduced officials of SAU 29, the Chesterfield School Board, and Martin Mahoney, principal of Chesterfield School.

Articles in the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1: Fred Rowley moved that the District receive the reports of agents, auditors, committees, and officers as printed in the annual report. Seconded by Kathryn Thatcher.

John Burger moved and Stephen Skibniewsky seconded to amend the motion by accepting the motion pending review by legal council. The Moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative, and the amendment to Article 1 passed. Article 1 passed on a voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: Charles Paquette moved that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,561,227 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Seconded by Thomas Duston.

Sue Sciuto moved and Charles Paquette seconded to amend the motion by decreasing the amount to be raised by \$38,372, from \$4,561,227 to \$4,522,855. Robert DelSesto moved and Lisa Prince seconded to limit debate. The motion to limit debate passed on a voice vote. The amendment to Article 2 passed on a voice vote.

Robert DelSesto moved to amend Article 2 by decreasing the amount to be raised and appropriated by \$204,785. Seconded by Kathleen Burger. Mr. DelSesto presented information that the Chesterfield Taxpayers' Association had compiled which suggested ways to accommodate this decrease in the proposed budget. Gary Holt moved to limit debate. Seconded by Todd Bottomly. The voice vote to limit debate was declared to be in the affirmative. A paper ballot was used to vote on the amendment. Yes - 183; No - 206. The Moderator declared the amendment to Article 2 defeated on a paper ballot.

A paper ballot was used to vote on the main motion which states that the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,522,855. Yes - 209; No - 154. The Moderator declared Article 2 passed in the affirmative on a paper ballot.

Terry Wiggin moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 2. Seconded by Susan Sciuto. The moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3: Kathryn Thatcher moved that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the District at the March 5, 1994 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs. Seconded by Susan Sciuto. William Vogely moved to limit debate. Seconded by Richard Slater. The Moderator declared the standing vote to be in the negative, and Article 3 was defeated.

ARTICLE 4: Cathryn Harvey moved that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 for the installation of a sprinkler system at Chesterfield School to meet required fire safety codes. Seconded by Elaine Rowley. A paper ballot was used to vote on the article. Yes - 5; No - 211. The moderator declared the motion defeated on a paper ballot.

ARTICLE 5: Phillip Natowich moved and Charles Paquette seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 p.m. The moderator declared the voice vote to be in the affirmative.

The official town checklist was used for the elections. Four hundred and sixty ballots were cast, 156 at the ballot box and 4 absentee ballots.

School Board Members for 3 years:

Susan Sciuto	256
Stephen Skibniowsky	222
Kathryn Thatcher	310

Susan Sciuto and Kathryn Thatcher were declared elected school board members for three years.

Moderator for the ensuing year:

Gary Winn	421
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Gary Winn was elected moderator.

Clerk for the ensuing year:

Diana S. Allen	383
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Diana S. Allen was declared elected clerk.

Treasurer for the ensuing year, beginning July 1, 1996:

Elizabeth Hinckley	26
Sharon Chickering	16

Elizabeth Hinckley was declared elected treasurer.

All elected officials took the oath of office and signed the prescribed oath of office.

A True Record, Attest:

*Diana S. Allen, Clerk  
Chesterfield School District*



## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

As I sat down to prepare this year's administrative report, the concept of growth immediately came to mind. Not only has the population of Chesterfield School continued to grow (as has the physical facility over the last several years), but the staff has also "grown" relative to its ability to expand the curriculum offered and to meet the needs of students. The relationship between the staff and the school board has also grown to where the staff worked with the Board to establish goals for the year. And what has become characteristic of Chesterfield, the growth of the school-community relationship continues to pay major dividends to the school.

Again this year we observed an increase in school enrollment. I believe this is healthy as it reflects a positive situation in the community, as well as a positive reflection on the quality of programming at Chesterfield School. The down side of this increase is that it has placed a strain on the existing resources at the school. This is most noticeable in the school's ability to meet students' needs in the areas of art, music, physical education and foreign language. Equally worthy of note is the impact that increased enrollment (kindergarten through grade 12) has placed on financial resources as they relate to tuition costs to Keene High School and numbers of students requiring special education programs.

I am quite impressed with the staff's growth relative to their efforts to develop curriculum that is responsive to students' needs and their commitment to staff development activities that enhance their abilities to respond to these needs. Their success in these areas did not happen by chance but, rather, came as a result of hard work, professionalism and dedication. Chesterfield continues to be a leader in SAU 29 in the development and implementation of thematic, integrated curriculum that is challenging and motivational. The Connecticut Valley Watershed Project/Riverfest Celebration was very successful in regard to relevancy of the material, the degree of student learning, and student and community involvement.

Other areas of the curriculum have grown as a result of the staff's efforts to provide students with challenging and enjoyable learning activities. The staff has worked to develop and/or revise the math and language arts curriculum to better reflect state-of-the-art teaching strategies. Work on the math curriculum will continue over next year as teachers throughout SAU 29 meet to assess the effectiveness of the existing curriculum. As has become common with much of what is done relative to curriculum revision, a lot of this work will be completed over the summer.

A school district goal identified the need to revise the science curriculum to include a greater emphasis on the health and sexuality component of curriculum offered to seventh and eighth graders. Given the number of health-related issues that young adolescents must face, I believe the time and energy devoted to this is significant. This work is currently ongoing.

A commitment to, and involvement in, viable staff development, in-service activities has greatly facilitated the staff's growth relative to its ability to develop and implement quality learning opportunities for children. I am very impressed with the willingness of the staff to devote time on weekends and during vacations to attend and participate in programs that enhance their effectiveness in the classroom. Of particular note is the work Jeannette Gardner has done relative to her research on multiple intelligences. She has become a tremendous resource to the staff at the school (who attended a workshop she offered for the staff on a Saturday in the fall) and to teachers throughout SAU 29 and other area schools.

This year the school board and staff met to develop goals. Not only was this positive from the point of view of improved school board-teacher relationships, but their efforts also provided focus and direction for the school for the year. Adopted goals addressed things such as improved communication between the school and community, the board and school, and the school district and the town as it relates to critical and common interests; a commitment to the unified arts (art, music, physical education) and foreign language programs; assessment of the reading program and the role of the reading specialist; the impact of increased enrollment; and an analysis of the school's health program.

The level of community involvement in, and support of, school activities and programs sets Chesterfield apart from many other districts throughout the state. Community involvement on respective school committees has aided decision-making, policy development, long-term planning, and budgeting. This involvement has not been limited to Chesterfield School. Input received from Chesterfield parents and community members has also impacted decisions relative to the AREA agreement with Keene and programs at Keene High School. I encourage you to stay involved, visit the school, and share your ideas and concerns with Board members or staff at the school. Please plan to attend the annual School District Meeting on Saturday, March 8, at 1:00 p.m.

*Phillip G. McCormack, Ed.D.*  
*Superintendent of Schools*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Although we had projected a **student enrollment** of 460, our official (**October 1**) numbers totalled **480**. This increase was largely due to the transition into our school/community of approximately **40 new students, representing 27 new families**. These families came to us locally from Keene, Troy, Dublin, and Brattleboro, and from as far away as, Granby, Connecticut; Carbondale, Colorado; Ladysmith, Virginia; Vicksburg, Mississippi; Tucson, Arizona; Springfield and Conway, Massachusetts; Dorset, Vermont; Alpharetta, Georgia; Milford, Pennsylvania; and Germany. Usually, there is a fairly equal balance between the number of students/families coming and going in any given year; however, such was not the case this year. This increase (+4%) is representative of the average increase we have experienced annually this decade. We are using this same data to project enrollment for 1997 - 98. Since October, our enrollment has increased slightly to its present total of 482.

### Enrollments/Placements - October 1, 1996

Kindergarten	41
Grade 1	39
Grade 2	45
Grade 3	66
Grade 4	55
Grade 5	62
Grade 6	65
Grade 7	64
Grade 8	43

**TOTAL                      480**

As I have indicated to you in the past, the large student populations in grades 3 - 8 will continue to impact on staffing, programs, and services in the unified arts (art, music, and physical education), Spanish, and in the overall focus and development of our middle school (7/8) program. The latter is currently undergoing study and review by committee.

We have seen the impact this year with the elimination of certain unified arts programs in kindergarten and fourth grade, and the modification of programs and services available to our middle grade students. Proposals in the School Board budget for 1997 - 98 attempt to correct this trend and prevent the situation from deteriorating any further.

Despite the need next year for an additional teacher to support the middle school program, the continued decline of enrollment in the primary grades will allow us to cope through internal transfer and reassignment.

We always experience some changes, both temporary and permanent, in our teaching and support staff positions, however, this year provided us with some unique exceptions. **With the departure of Mrs. Kathy York (first grade), Ms. Mary Grove (7/8 science), and Mrs. Diana Allen (7/8 English) we lost three (3) Chesterfield 'veterans' with a combined total of 37 years of service to the district.** Kathy and her family have relocated 'down under' to Australia; Di, Tom, and the children have moved to Florida; and Mary was given an approved, one-year leave of absence.

Internally, both **Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. LeDuc** were reassigned from their multi-age classes to **fifth and first grade positions respectively**. Both Jeannette and Karen have been instrumental in the development and success of the school's multi-age program over the past five (5) years. **Mrs. Patti Beardsley and Mr. David Potter** were reassigned to fill these **multi-age positions**.

**Mrs. Abby Salamin** returned to us from maternity leave and was assigned to a **fourth grade** position in one of the modular classrooms.

**Mrs. Betsy Yacubian**, who has been assigned to one of the school's sixth grade positions for the past two years, returned to once again teach **reading in the seventh and eighth grades**, in addition to serving in a limited capacity as the school's **Reading Specialist**.

The following personnel represent new additions to our school's **professional teaching staff**:

\* **Ms. Carla Larson** was selected to fill the **third grade** teaching position. Ms. Larson is certified in Elementary Education, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education/Earth Science from New York State University at Oneonta and a Masters of Education from Antioch/New England Graduate School. For the past six (6) years she has been employed by the Stoddard School District, having been involved with both self-contained and multi-age classes, readiness through third grade. Prior to that, Carla taught briefly at Keene High School, completed internships at the Jonathan Daniels School in Keene and the Green Street Elementary School in Brattleboro, and worked at the Benjamin Franklin School in Keene with both ESL (English as a Second Language) and special education programs. Carla resides with her family in Keene.

\* **Mrs. Suellen Buffum and Ms. Virginia Acerno** were selected to fill the two (2) **sixth grade** positions.

Mrs. Buffum received a Bachelor of Science degree from Keene State College and currently holds state certification in Elementary Education. She has held teaching positions in the Fall Mountain, Westmoreland, and Marlborough School Districts. Her considerable experience with middle grade curriculum, gifted and talented education, and special programs, such as, Odyssey of the Mind, makes her a special match for our program. Suellen and her husband reside in Keene.

Ms. Acerno is a recent graduate of Keene State College, where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and completed additional course work for certification in Elementary Education. She previously worked in the Westmoreland School District as an instructional aide, in addition to, coaching girls' soccer. 'Gina' resides in Westmoreland.

\* **Mr. Earl Horn** was selected to fill the **middle school science** position for this year. Earl currently holds state certification in Biology, and has completed undergraduate and postgraduate work at both New England and Keene State College. His teaching experience has involved work at Mascenic Regional High School in New Ipswich, and Thayer Jr./Sr. High School in Winchester. He has also served as the Program Director for the Otter Lake Conservation School in Greenfield, N.H., and as a member of the Harrisville School Board. Earl and his family reside in Harrisville.

\* **Ms. Jean Kennedy** has been **selected to replace Mrs. Allen for the remainder of the 1996 - 97 school year**. Like Mr. Horn, Ms. Kennedy comes to us from Thayer Jr./Sr. High School in Winchester, where she has been employed since 1988 as an English teacher for students in grades 8 - 12. Prior to that, Ms. Kennedy taught English in Westmoreland and in the American Schools in Dusseldorf and Augsburg, Germany. She has a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Penn State University and a Masters of Education in English from West Chester State University, Pennsylvania. Although she is a former resident of the community, Ms. Kennedy currently resides in Keene.

Our **support staff roster** has also seen some significant changes since the start of the school year.

\* **Mrs. Virginia McManus, Ms. Mary Lou Alther, Mr. David Yacubian, and Ms. Kristin Trahan** have joined the staff as part of the school's corps of 11 **tutors** hired in support of 18 identified, special needs children in grades K - 8.

\* **Ms. Krista Pawloski** has been reassigned to the **special education aide** position vacated by Mrs. Susan Kennedy, who took a similar position in the Monadnock School District.



\* **Mrs. Marion Grimes** was selected to fill the **part-time, Food Service Assistant** position. As a lifelong resident of the community with grandchildren in the school and having substituted occasionally, Marion is certainly no stranger to us and is a very welcome addition to our staff.

I would be remiss if I didn't also mention the efforts of **Ms. Rui Ota**. Rui is a young lady from Japan who has been working as a **full-time volunteer** in the school since the start of the year. **Rui is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Amos Winter**. Her effort, enthusiasm, and initiative have been outstanding. She has assisted in many of the school's primary classrooms, the library, Title I, art, and with selected special activities and events. She has an Associates degree in English Literature. Ms. Ota's presence has provided the school with an excellent learning opportunity that has touched us all.

The **changes to our school's system of grading and reporting used in grades 3 - 8** represent a major adjustment to practices that have existed in this district for close to 20 years. After a formal presentation last May, the School Board unanimously approved the new proposal, which provides for:

- \* Trimester instead of quarterly reporting.
- \* Increased, direct contact with parents and students.
- \* Changes to the coding system used in grades 3 and 4.
- \* Increased emphasis on the use of 'critical skills' in the learning process.
- \* Greater consistency and continuity K - 8.
- \* The development of three (3) different report forms (3/4, 5/6, 7/8).
- \* Modified sections for each of the Unified Arts subjects.
- \* A greater emphasis on 'authentic assessment.'
- \* Expanded use of portfolios.
- \* Greater student involvement and ownership in the reporting process.

The positive feedback from parents after the first trimester conferences last fall validates this new initiative that was long overdue.

The major renovations to the school's front entrance way represent the most significant maintenance projects that were completed this past year. The **Friends of Chesterfield School** financed the **planting of trees** along the road access to the front common and, with district funds, we were able to **extend the curbing** through to the Old Chesterfield Road on the opposite side. The latter eliminated the mess and clean-up that occurs annually after 'mud season,' especially when we started using this area for the bus drop-off and departure of students in grades 5 - 8.

This year's **Stow Mills Fund - Major Award** was presented to **Mrs. Darlene Dunn**, Chairperson of the school's Assembly Committee, for the proposal entitled **Endless Skies of Education**. The \$1,500 award will be used to establish an **artist-in-residency** for all students with **Mr. Hans Schepker**, a **kitemaker** from Marlborough. The students will be making their own kites, as well as, integrating this skill into their study of math, science, and other academic subjects. With fair winds and pleasant skies, the culminating event scheduled for this spring's Pisgah Day should be a memorable one.

The many special activities that have occurred over the past year have had a positive and lasting impact on students and faculty, as they have woven their way through the school's academic programs and curriculum. However, the **Riverfest Celebration** that was held last May was the highlight for me. This culminating activity for the school's **Connecticut Valley Watershed Project**, which was funded by a **Stow Mills Grant**, was special. Over a two-day span of time the students, faculty, parents, and community were immersed in all aspects of the history, geology, flora, fauna, ecology, transportation, recreation, and preservation of the natural resources associated with the Connecticut Valley Region in which we live.

Specific parts of the **school's curriculum and programs** have undergone review and revision over the past year:

\* We are in the process of reviewing the scope and sequence of the school's **math curriculum used in grades K - 4**, as it impacts on the use of texts and related teaching materials, the results of standardized and state testing, and teaching practices.

\* We continue to scrutinize teaching practices in the areas of **spelling and language mechanics**, with an emphasis on improving student skills, creating a greater sense of consistency and continuity in our teaching of these subjects.

\* New **social studies** texts have or will be purchased for use in **grades 6 and 7**.

\* The school's **Social Skills Program** has been reviewed and revised to provide greater consistency and coordination across the grades.

\* The teachers in **kindergarten** have consulted with the **unified arts** teachers in an effort to make-up for the loss of certain programs, e.g. music.

\* A committee made up of teachers, School Board, and parents is in the process of developing and defining a **health curriculum** appropriate for students in **grades 7 and 8**.

The proposed budget for next year will allow us to continue some of these initiatives, as well as, once again address areas of math, music, science, and technology as part of the SAU's curriculum review cycle.

I would like to formally recognize the following students for their special achievements and the contributions they have made to the school over the past year:

**1996 Chesterfield Public Library Young Authors' Contest First Place Winners**

Tara Wilkinson and Kate Adams (Poetry and Non - Fiction)

Stephanie Wright (Poetry)

Tara North and Tyler Ames (Fiction)

**Academic Excellence - Class of 1996**

Kate Adams and Shawna Greeno

**1996 MathCounts Team**

Chris Duston, Shawna Greeno, Amanda Hubner, and Andy Shaw

**1996 School Spelling Bee Champion**

Josh Michaud

**Harold T. Martin Athletes - of - the Year**

Jennifer Caveney and Nate Carter

**Doug Sargent Memorial Award Winners**

Kate Adams and Collin Zamore

**Larry Taylor Citizenship Award Winners**

Jeff Petrovich and Alecia Cargill

**American Legion Post # 86 Citizenship Award Winners**

Kate Adams and Jim Francis

**National Geographic Society - 1996 School Geography Bee Champion**

Alexi Fleming

**New Hampshire Junior High Music Festival Participants**

Vocalists: Kate Adams, Genny Ferrin, Ali Natowich, Kelly Robinson, and Mariah Smith

Instrumentalists: Tyler Ames, Laura Greenspan, Amanda Hubner, Lewis Rieley, and Shannon Bratcher

**Odyssey of the Mind - Renatra Fusca Award Winners**

Alecia Cargill, Jeremy Peach, Amanda Hubner, Chris Duston, Jamie Ring, and Jonathan Thomas

And to all of the students in our school who, on a daily basis, in their own special and personal way, make a positive and lasting contribution to the excellent image of our school, I thank you!



The results of our third, **Parent - Community Survey** continue to show that people are pleased with the performance and direction of their school system. With regard to the major areas of the survey, as they impact on personal involvement, the network of communication, the school's academic program, and the physical and emotional climate in which children learn, **the school received an overall approval rate of 97%**, a rating which has remained unchanged over the past six (6) years. **Success only serves to create new challenges.** It is obvious that we have responded positively to those challenges, and we will continue to do so in the future.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to **recognize the contributions and tenure of Mrs. Lorraine Johnson**, our School Nurse, who is retiring this year after 23 years of service to the Chesterfield School District.

Over the years, with the retirement of such people as Mrs. Nina Foster, Mrs. Phyllis Zuccale, and Mrs. Mary Lou Kelly, many people finally came to understand and appreciate their contributions and efforts, and what it took to replace them. Lorraine is no exception. During her tenure she has seen this school more than double in size. She has seen the student population in the health office grow from a small handful of students with physical ailments with some requiring daily medication, to an atypical list that currently totals 140+ students that involves dispensing close to 3,000 dosages of medication annually. The changes in state requirements for screening, immunizations, testing, physicals, and related documentation is also something with which she has had to cope and adjust. She has also been personally involved with three (3) different health curriculum studies over the years. She has continued to do her job, despite at times the community's lack of acceptance and understanding of the scope and importance of health services in a public school.

Throughout her 23 years, she has never once lost sight of the children and the needs of their families. Whether it was a personal phone call or contact, or a contribution from one of her many sources during a special season or a difficult time, she was always thinking first of others. It is this warmth, affection, emotion, openness, sensitivity, and sincerity that will be remembered by all of us. As someone wrote on one of the recent surveys that was returned - **"We'll miss Mrs. Johnson."**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Martin F. Mahoney*

## STAFF

Martin Mahoney . . . . .	Principal
Robin Holton . . . . .	Secretary
Gina Acerno . . . . .	Grade 6
Patricia Beardsley . . . . .	Multi-Age 1/2
Suellen Buffum . . . . .	Grade 6
Jean Condon . . . . .	Physical Education
Joanne Dexter . . . . .	Special Education
Darlene Dunn . . . . .	Grade 3
Marcia Esche . . . . .	Music
Jeannette Gardner . . . . .	Grade 5
Marilyn Goulas . . . . .	Kindergarten/A.M.
Gail Grainger . . . . .	Media Generalist
Sharon Hampton . . . . .	Spanish
Nancy Hardy . . . . .	Grade 2
Craig Hood . . . . .	Grades 7 and 8, Social Studies
Earl Horn . . . . .	Grades 7 and 8, Science
Jean Kennedy . . . . .	Grades 7 and 8, English
Nancy Kenney . . . . .	Grade 5
Bonnieta Kraft . . . . .	Psychologist
Carla Larson . . . . .	Grade 3
Karen LeDuc . . . . .	Grade 1
Luba Lischynsky . . . . .	Music
Audrey MacKnight . . . . .	Title I/Reading
Patricia McPike . . . . .	Speech Therapist
Emily Mills . . . . .	Special Education
Mary Morrisette . . . . .	Multi-Age 3/4
Laurine Parker . . . . .	Physical Education
David Potter . . . . .	Multi-Age 3/4
Laurel Powell . . . . .	Grade 3/4
James Powley . . . . .	Guidance
Karen Rydant . . . . .	Kindergarten/P.M.
Abigail Salamin . . . . .	Grade 4
Denise Sargent . . . . .	Grade 5
Cynthia Smith-Walsh . . . . .	Art
Mark Sonntag . . . . .	Grades 7 and 8, Math
Teresa Starkey . . . . .	Grade 6
Lawrence Ullrich . . . . .	Special Education
Priscilla Whitford . . . . .	Multi-Age 1/2
Elizabeth Yacubian . . . . .	Grades 7 and 8, Reading
Carol Ames . . . . .	Instructional Aide
Traci Boemig . . . . .	Instructional Aide - Spec. Ed.
Kathy Casson . . . . .	Inclusionary Aide
Lorraine Kornfield . . . . .	Instructional Aide - Kdg.
Helen Ann Kelly . . . . .	Title I Aide
Krista Pawloski . . . . .	Instructional Aide - Spec. Ed.
Lynn Reekstin . . . . .	Instructional Aide
Lorraine Johnson . . . . .	School Nurse
Marion Grimes . . . . .	Lunchroom Aide
Carol Riendeau . . . . .	Lunch Room Director
Linda Wystup . . . . .	Lunchroom Aide
Toni Mann . . . . .	Receptionist
Jill Wdowiak . . . . .	Receptionist
Robert Howard . . . . .	Custodian
Danny Orr . . . . .	Custodian
Doug Wrobel . . . . .	Custodian

# SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES REPORT FOR 1995-1996

Physical appraisal conducted by school physician to the 4th and 7th graders and interscholastic sports participants	47
Athletic Questionnaires reviewed by physician	101
Referrals/Adjustments (Personal physician clarification/permission)	9
Height & Weight	485
Blood pressure screening	101
Communication and referral to parents and teachers (letters, phone)	1180+
Student visits to the health office (first aid included)	3390+
Vision Screening	229
Referral to private physician	6
Hearing Screening Puretone (Acuity)	245
Hearing Screening Impedance-Tympanic Membrane/Middle Ear	101
Referral to physician	10
Scalp Inspection	549
Skin Inspection	22
Catheterization	13
Communicable Diseases	
1. Strep Throat	21+
2. Chicken Pox	5
3. Pediculosis	3
4. Conjunctivitis	8
5. 5th Disease	0
6. Pneumonia	3
7. Infectious Mononucleosis	3
8. Scarletina	0
Daily Medications	2220+
Scoliosis Screening, Grades 5 - 8	189
Physician's Recheck	8
To be followed annually	5
Referral to private physician	2
Being followed by own physician	4
Tuberculin Testing	
Staff, subs, teachers, bus drivers, librarians & volunteers	39
Accident Reports	49
Lions' Club Vision Referral	0
Nutritional Referral	3
Counseling Referral	4

Lorraine Johnson, RN, CSN, School Nurse  
George Idlekope, MD, School Physician

## **SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT**

The Lunch Program here at Chesterfield School continues to gain popularity, as evidenced by the 2,000 more lunches served over and above last year's count, bringing the total lunches served to over 35,000.

Changes were again made to the kitchen staff. Linda Wystup is now my "right hand" and Marion Grimes is our new part-time person. Chris Furlone left us to work with her husband. We wish her well.

Government food continues to be very important to us. They have added many new fresh fruits and vegetables to the program.

We've had many extra projects to keep us busy. We were helpers with the Italian Nite Supper. We worked with Mrs. Kenney's fifth grade class, Mrs. Sargent's class, and Ms. Grove's class on special projects. When the school had the Connecticut River Celebration, we joined in by making River-Bank Cupcakes. In June, Chris Holton was our guest chef for the day. Chris graduated from Chesterfield five years ago and is now attending culinary school in Montpelier, Vermont.

Parents are welcome to call with questions at anytime or, with a little notice, to come have lunch with their children.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Carol Riendeau*

SUMMARY REPORT OF THE CHESTERFIELD SCHOOL COST CONTAINMENT  
COMMITTEE

At the 1996 Public Hearing held in January 1996, it was suggested that the School Board set up a committee to look into budget expenses. The Cost Containment Committee was formed after the School District Meeting and met from April to November 1996. The committee looked at special education costs, high school tuition, and SAU expenses. The committee has come to the following conclusions:

With regard to special education:

1. According to law, special education and related services must be paid at public expense with no additional costs to parents, with the exception of those that can be applied to family health benefits and Medicare.
2. The school must have procedures in place to identify, locate, and evaluate all disabled children from ages 3-21.
3. Special education can be expensive because: (a) the federal government has mandated programs and requirements but funds these mandates minimally or not at all; (b) New Hampshire does not provide school districts with the full amount of foundation aid (which includes special education basic aid funds) as required by state law and, (c) many procedures and documentation require time and personnel in order to comply with the law and avoid legal action.
4. Most procedures and required documentation are required by law.
5. Chesterfield School is adhering to the law.
6. The Chesterfield School District can do little to change the process as it stands now. However, individual taxpayers can speak to their state and federal representatives.
7. The steady increase in our special education population at the elementary level is not matched by a similar increase at the high school. Instead, the high school figures have remained steady over the last seven years. This indicates that the measures taken at Chesterfield School to help children recognize their disabilities and cope with them are successful. Our special education program is doing what it is designed to do.
8. Special education costs over the last four years, as a percentage of the school budget, have not changed much (spreadsheet is available in the complete report).
9. Many of the expenses that are budgeted for in the special education account do not reflect actual costs, since some of these costs would be charged regardless. For example, we must pay tuition for a student at the Keene High School. If the student is a special education student, the tuition cost is applied to the 1200(special education) account. Otherwise, the tuition cost shows up in the 1100(regular instruction) account. In many cases, the cost is identical or very similar. The difference is mainly

one of bookkeeping.

With regard to high school tuition and SAU costs:

10. Keene High School is attempting to communicate more with the Chesterfield School District through its annual report to the School Board and in formal meetings . Informal discussions with parents and students indicate general satisfaction with the high school. The school board is currently asking for a review of the method used to figure the high school tuition rate to see if the calculation is accurate.

11. Recent state legislation and proposed legislation now permit school districts more freedom in restructuring an SAU. This eliminates much of the paperwork involved in reorganization and could possibly save a district money. Marlborough is currently considering withdrawal from SAU 29 under these new regulations. Chesterfield School District needs to look closely at the legislation and monitor Marlborough's progress, and assess whether withdrawal from SAU 29 would be cost effective. This should continue over the next year.

A more complete report on special education was prepared by the committee and is available in the three post offices, Chesterfield Library, and at Chesterfield School.



MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD, N.H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE OF MARRIAGE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAME AND SURNAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
Mar 2	W Chesterfield NH	John I. C. Green Laura A. Tilaro	Ipswich, MA Ipswich, MA
21	Chesterfield, NH	James H. Earle Gretchen A. Bruce	Chesterfield, NH Chesterfield, NH
23	Franconia, NH	Emanuel Betz Cammy J. Richelli	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
23	Charlestown, NH	Shawn S. Christie Betty J. Andersen	Chesterfield, NH Brattleboro, VT
Apr 6	Chesterfield, NH	Thomas C. Westra Susan Priest	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
27	Keene, NH	Robert G. Campbell Wendi E. Allen	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
May 25	Chesterfield, NH	Michael R. Margola Minona M. Gilcreast	Greenfield, MA Greenfield, MA
12	Chesterfield, NH	Jeffrey J. Allen Kimberley R. Diamond	Chesterfield, NH Chesterfield, NH
Jun 8	W Chesterfield, NH	Frank B. Curtis, Jr. April Paulsen	Brattleboro, VT Brattleboro, VT
8	Keene, NH	John E. Moskowitz Tracy M. Connors	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
15	Chesterfield, NH	Richard J. Santor Sonya L. Rhoades	Dummerston, VT Dummerston, VT
22	Keene, NH	Anthony C. Malloy Kelley A. Francis	Westmoreland, NH W Chesterfield, NH
29	Keene, NH	Robert M. Collinworth Donna L. Hall	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
July 12	Chesterfield, NH	Peter J. Damphouse Celine G. Landry	W Chesterfield, NH W Chesterfield, NH
Aug 3	Chesterfield, NH	Philip R. Carr, Jr Stephanie M. Jenness	Allston, MA Spofford, NH
24	W Chesterfield, NH	Darrell K. Chase Barbara E. Stone	W Chesterfield, NH Fitzwilliam, NH
Oct 5	Keene, NH	James L. Nelson Judy A. Goodrich	Spofford, NH Spofford, NH
12	Chesterfield, NH	Charles Q. Miller Beverly A. Kaiser	Brattleboro, NH Chesterfield, NH
Nov 9	Chesterfield, NH	Timothy A. Provencher Lara N. Sears	Chesterfield, NH Chesterfield, NH

23	Keene, NH	Scott C. French Ann Marie Rondo	Cobleskill, NY Spofford, NH
Dec 21	Chesterfield, NH	John T. Golding, Jr Lisa M. Hemmerling	Myrtle Beach, SC Brattleboro, Vt
28	Spofford, NH	Christopher D. Prozzo Andrea W. Adgie	Athens, VT Spofford, NH

BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTHPLACE	NAME OF CHILD	SEX	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
Feb 5	Lebanon, NH	Jonathan Scott Burkart	M	Thomas F. Burkart	Susan L. Elderd
Mar 10	Keene, NH	Carly Elizabeth Johnson	F	Clark L. John	Sharon J. Gold
18	Claremont, NH	Jacob Steven Dompier	M	Steven M. Dompier	Kristi L. Hall
May 2	Keene, NH	Emily Elizabeth DiRusso	F	Michael J. DiRusso	Helen E. Hardcastle
6	Keene, NH	Megan Justine Macie	F	Randy E. Mac	Susan A. Buffum
21	Keene, NH	Stephanie Carroll Roy	F	Ronald R	Heather L. Seymour
June 14	Keene, NH	Taylor Marie White	F	Kevin M. White	Mary C. Nesbit
30	Keene, NH	Fabian Christopher Jaimes	M	Fabian Jaimes	Annie SU Martelle
July 13	Keene, NH	David Coleman Bain	M	Bruce K. Bain, Jr	Arla J. Rebman
13	Keene, NH	Patrick Nathaniel Bain	M	Bruce K. Bain, Jr	Arla J. Rebman
Aug 5	Brattleboro, VT	Dylan Jacob Chickering	M	Arthur B. Chickering, Jr	Kelly Ann Hilliard
14	Keene, NH	Samuel McCurdy Carbonaro	M	Vincent F. Carbonaro, Jr	Patricia E. McCurdy
Sept. 15	Peterborough, NH	Sarah Lynn Allen	F	Jeffrey J. Allen	Kimberley R. Diamond
27	Peterborough, NH	Savannah Marie Steblein	F	Paul F. Steblein	Tina McElroy
27	Keene, NH	Gregory George Johnson	M	George E. Goulet	Carol A. Johnson
Oct. 4	Keene, NH	Emily Dawn Koziara	F	Jeffrey S. Koziara	Sheri L. Moss
8	Keene, NH	Evan Mark Lagerberg	M	Mark A. Lagerberg	Mary Crosby
18	Brattleboro, VT	Elliot Ariel Venditti	M	Albert Venditti	Julienne S. Wise

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
DEATHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
Jan. 8	Lebanon, NH	Gladys D. Happ	---Dittick	Margaret---
18	Keene, NH	Ira F. Shaw	Ira Shaw	Thelma Donnelly
20	Westmoreland, NH	John C. Howland	Herbert Howland	Lois Page
Feb. 13	Chesterfield, NH	Joseph Paul Arel	Jacob Arel	Elizabeth San Soucise
17	Brattleboro, VT	Kathleen Jacobson	Lawrence Morrish	Anna T. Quinn
17	Keene, NH	Eugene Mayer	Mark Mayer	Josephine Beck
28	Chesterfield, NH	Jean Alice Hubner	Frank A. Hubner, Sr	Anna Delohery
Mar. 5	Keene, NH	Wavie Irene Arel	George Delong	Celestia Starr
7	Westmoreland, NH	Madeline S. Chase	Charles F. Stevens	Hattie E. White
7	Spofford, NH	Gladys Puffer Thomas	Warren Puffer	Clarissa Chickering
29	Spofford, NH	MaryAnn Clark	Richard Whittaker	Violet Silk
Apr. 14	Brattleboro, VT	John Dudek	Joseph Dudek	Nellie Szazenski
May 29	Brattleboro, VT	Harold C. Rider	Dickerman Rider	Julia Carpenter
June 19	W. Chesterfield, NH	Harold L. Rawson	Pearl Rawson	Rena Jones
Jul 11	Manchester, NH	Marilyn A. Burbank	Dalton F. Ayer	Pauline
18	Fitzwilliam, NH	Donna Argene John	Alfred J. Champney	Eleanor K. Dodge
26	Spofford, NH	Homer Louis Atkins, Jr	Homer L. Atkins, Sr	Anna Buzzell
Oct. 4	Westmoreland, NH	Eleanor M. Fuller	Frederick Clark	Mabel Ryder
Dec 27	Spofford, NH	Marc O'Brien	Ronald O'Brien	Louna Wyman



